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Condoleezza Rice talks politics, education while students challenge Great Name status

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Condoleezza Rice has been called many things, but "victim" and "push-over" are not among those things, as she made clear during her visit to Hamilton last Monday. Dr. Rice gave the Hamilton community an insider's view of her work as National Security Advisor and Secretary of State when she addressed a small group of students from government classes, held a meet-and-greet with students and lectured to the community as a part of the Sacerdote Great Names Series. Even though Rice was faced with protesters outside her lecture and provocative questions during the question-and-answer session held after her speech, Rice stood her ground and provided insight on questions of American politics, foreign policy and international relations from both her time in office and the present.

"I'm trying to remind myself every day, and still trying to remind myself, that today's headlines and history's judgment are rarely the same," said Rice during her lecture.

Today, she is a politician and professor respected for her knowledge in her field, but also a contentious political figure. "We know what she stands for, her policy and what she's done. And she has authorized torture … this is documented. And other countries consider her a war criminal," said Sushmita Preetha '11, who was protesting Rice's appearance outside of the Margaret Scott Bundy Field House before the lecture. "What does that really mean, that we invited a person who has such questionable politics, and morals? I think that's something to be upset about, and to be angry about."

Will Gowen '11 said, "People have said that the Great Names speakers have been too to the left, and now we're bringing someone from the right. There are a lot of people from the right who aren't war criminals who we should have brought here." Although he protested Rice's invitation to campus as a part of the Great Names Series, Gowen's intention was not to dissuade people from hearing her speak. "We're not stating for this protest to not go see her speak. I might go see her speak … there's no reason why not to. But – we are calling her a Great Name, and I think that should be a continued discussion, and I do not agree with it."

Despite the protestors outside of the Field House, Rice endeared herself to much of the Hamilton community when she said, "I can say with a full voice in this room something I can say across the country: I'm one who believes Thomas Jefferson was a somewhat overrated Founding Father. I'm an Alexander Hamilton fan!" That comment earned her a robust round of applause.

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Hanna Bests Arcuri in Election Day Rematch

For New York's 24th Congressional District it was a hard fought fight, but in the end, voters disillusioned with Washington and the incumbent Democratic Party chose Republican Candidate Richard Hanna over incumbent Democrat Michael Arcuri.

This result reflected the majority of the nation, as incumbent Democrats all over the map were unseated by their Republican challengers, leading to a newly Republican-controlled House of Representatives. With about 96 percent of the votes in, Hanna is reported to have won 53 percent of the vote, including six of the 11 counties that make up the 24th District. In 2008, Arcuri had beat Hanna, winning 52 percent of the vote, but even then many were anticipating the rematch.

"We rode the wave four years ago, and tonight we were hit by it," Arcuri told the *Utica Observer-Dispatch*. "That's the way it is sometimes." Hanna's supporters gathered in the Radisson Hotel Utica Centre on election night, enthusiastically chanting his name as the results came in. "I always thought we had the right message for

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Excursion to Ecuador: Outing Club plans to climb volcanoes, meet natives

by Sarah Destin '14
News Contributor

With snowball fights on the equator, climbing the Cotopaxi and Cayambe volcanoes to reach the summit by sunrise and two nights in the Amazon filled with monkeys, birds and insects, it's hard to imagine a more adventurous way to spend winter break.

That's just how the participants of the Outing Club's three-week trip to Ecuador will be spending their winter break. From climbing volcanoes to meeting the natives of Ecuador to experiencing the country with more ecosystems than any other country, participants are given the opportunity to experience a whole new culture while attempting daring physical feats.

And yet, despite the fact that the easiest day hike is to 20,000 feet, Andrew Jillings, the director of the Outdoor Leadership Center, says that it is unnecessary for participants to be in top shape.

"I expect people to be fit to hike, but not necessarily varsity endurance athletes. The Stairmaster will be their new best friend for the rest of the semester. The fitter they are, the more fun they will have. However, everyone gets altitude sick," said Jillings.

Students who have been on the trip to Ecuador in the past say that the physical demands and altitude sickness are well worth the rewarding hikes and experiences gained.

"My highlight was the multi-day trek in the Andean foothills that culminates at a village that only received electricity a few years ago," said Nick Green '12, who attended the Outing Club's trip to Ecuador two years ago. "Not only is the trek an amazingly breathtaking snapshot of the Andes, but it's also a revealing glimpse of the lives of the people you meet. Climbing over two volcanoes was the hardest thing I've ever done physically and was totally rewarding."

Students wishing to sign up for the trip may contact Jillings for the form. Costs are estimated to be approximately $2,400 not including airfare, and the forms are due by Friday, Nov. 5.

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Students may still sign up for the Outing Club's trip to Ecuador. Those who make the journey will explore the landscape and customs of the native populations. The trip is physically demanding but students need not be in perfect shape to enjoy hiking the Andes Mountains.

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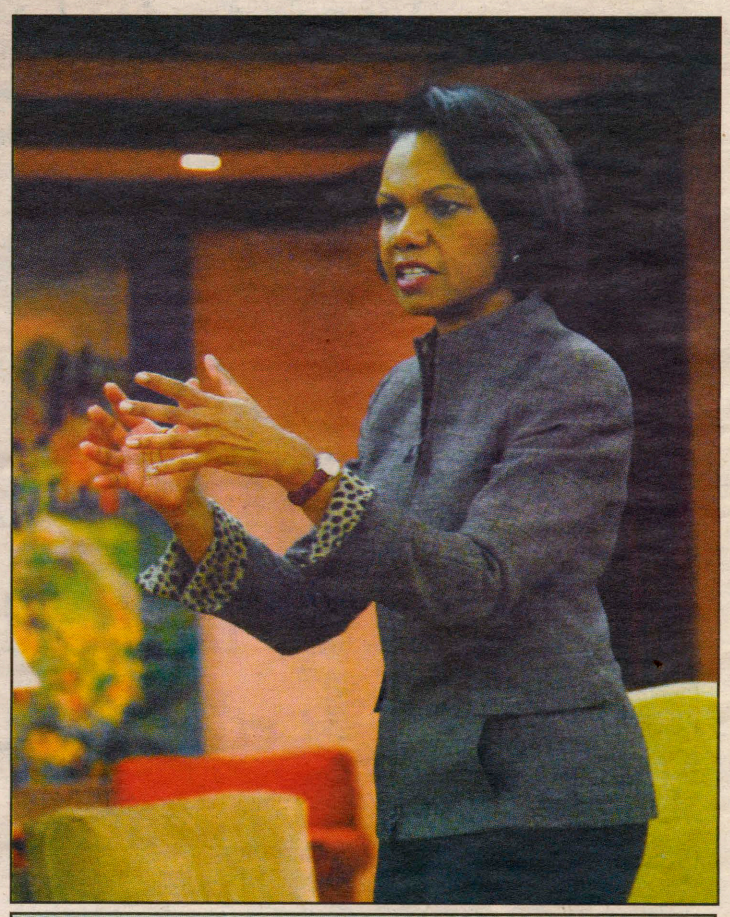

Protestors argue former Secretary of State fails to live up to "Great Name" standard

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Then again, so did a critical question submitted by Professor of English Onno Oerlemans, who asked about Rice's role America's decision to go to war with Iraq. Oerlemans' question was the first direct and pointed question about Rice's actions in office, and as a very early question on the list, set the tone for the rest of the question-and-answer session, moderated by Associate Professor of Government Robert Martin.

"Yes, there were no stockpiles [of weapons of mass destruction]. Infrastructure, yes. Stockpiles, no," responded Rice, adding that Iraq may have been as little as one year away from having weapons of mass destruction. Although she defended her actions, she conceded, "I would certainly do things differently in what we called 'Phase 4,'" the stabilization and reconstruction phase of the war.

Rice also answered questions on topics ranging from the legality of waterboarding to Israeli-Palestinian relations to immigration to growing up in Birmingham, Ala., during the civil rights era. Rice, who is currently a professor of political science at Stanford University, a professor of political economy at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and the Thomas and Barbara Stephenson Senior Fellow on Public Policy at the Hoover Institution, said that as much as she valued the experience of being Secretary of State, she takes pleasure in her "normal" life now. "I especially enjoy getting up in the morning, reading the newspaper and thinking, 'Oh, isn't that interesting?' and then realizing that … I can go read the sports page!" she joked.

Before her lecture to the community, Dr. Rice addressed students from Visiting Professor Maj. John Dehn's Seminar in War Powers Class and Professor Alan Cafruny's international relations classes. In the half-hour discussion session, she addressed both international and domestic topics, including the War on Terror, the military budget, and China's role in global economics and policy.

Although Rice's discussion with students only covered policy, she imparted college and life advice upon Hamilton students in her general lecture. As a student, Rice gave up her dream of being a concert pianist and eventually realized her passion for international politics after taking a class with Josef Korbel, Madeleine Albright's father and professor of international politics at the University of Denver – a passion which has not left her since. "First and foremost, I hope you use the time [at college] to find your passion," she advised. "And if you're not careful, your passion will find you."

Newell cites contemporary media in characterization of manliness

by Adam Fix '13
News Contributor

According to Professor Waller R. Newell of Carleton University, manly virtues are "love, courage, pride, family and country." Newell was invited by the Alexander Hamilton Institute to lecture on Sunday about "the issue of what it means to be a man" and discussed whether young men should pursue or reject the image of masculinity in 21st century society.

As a political scientist, Newell sought to transform his scholarly interest in masculinity to "something more topical" for contemporary audiences and brought up *Fight Club*, both the book and the film, as a juxtaposition of manliness in modern culture. Newell notes how the protagonist (Edward Norton in the film) possesses a calm, reasonable yet timid personality that starkly contrasts with his alter-ego Tyler Durden's (Brad Pitt) aggressive, bestial and violent nature. Newell claims that *Fight Club* presents "a completely unacceptable dilemma, [implying that] young men had to choose between being a wimp or a beast."

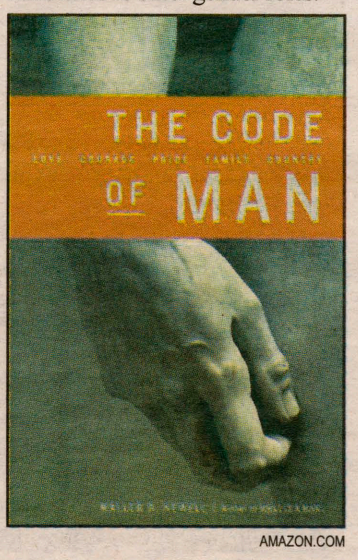
Society depicts manly behavior as intrinsically aggressive and violent, while simultaneously repressing those violent behaviors as uncivil and antisocial. In this case, males find "underground" outlets, countercultures such as rock music or skateboarding to express and embrace what they believe is their masculine self.

However, Newell insisted that, while masculinity and femininity certainly exist, all people possess similar capabilities and conceptions of virtue, and "men and women aspire to the same virtues." While men may be more aggressive, more "honor-seeking," than women, both sexes, albeit on different psychological paths, seek the same virtues and values out of their lives.

Newell discussed the Platonic conception of justice, stating that individual passion (including manly aggressiveness) fuels, rather than deters, the pursuit of virtue. *The Republic* advocated the sublimation rather than outright repression of this masculinity for the betterment of humanity in general, and Newell cited this, along with Cicero and Homer's *Odyssey*, as the ideal interpretation of masculinity in society.

Newell closed by asserting that an effective, comprehensive liberal education plays a key role in developing individual virtue, in the "cultivation of character." Citing Jefferson, he stated that neither men nor women can reasonably expect to fit the models assigned to their respective genders but can and should educate themselves in order to pursue their own conceptions of virtue and justice.

The lecture concluded not with a firm idea of what masculinity is or should be, but rather with the notion that the individual must cultivate and educate him or herself without adherence to strict gender roles.



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In his book, Newell explores the changed conception of masculinity and machismo following the end of the Cold War.

Richard Hanna wins, alumni Matt Zeller, Scott Sipprelle lose districts

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the right time and we would prevail," Hanna told reporters. "We need to remember that growth of government is fundamentally incompatible with the success of the rest of us." As Hanna now enters Washington, Arcuri is said to be returning to his role as "citizen Arcuri," happily practicing law.

Alum Matt Zeller Loses Battle for New York's 29th District

Matt Zeller '04, who enlisted in ROTC while at Hamilton and fought in Afghanistan against the Taliban, decided to enlist in the fight for the vacant U.S representative seat of New York's 29th District as the Democratic challenger against Republican candidate Tom Reed.

Unfortunately for Zeller, voters on Election Day decided to vote for Reed, former mayor of Corning, N.Y., giving him in the end 56 percent of the vote and a victory. Reed also won the majority of the votes in each county that make up the district. While the results suggest that this race was an easy one for Reed, the reality is the fight between Zeller and Reed was a long and tough one. Both candidates had 11 debates and a long time to try and court voters to their respective campaigns.

Chris Rackl, Zeller's campaign manager, told *The Star Gazette*, the premier newspaper in Elmira, N.Y., "We always thought that this was going to go down to the wire." After realizing his victory, Reed told the *Gazette*, "We've always stayed consistent with our philosophy and our belief [that] our government has to learn to live within its means, to stop the out-of-control borrowing and spending of our children's and grandchildren's dollars."

Even though this is yet another defeat for a Hamilton alum, to be able to put up very impressive numbers for such a young candidate and as a newcomer to politics suggests a more realistic political future for Zeller.

Alum Scott Sipprelle Loses Battle for New Jersey's 12th District

Graduating Phi Beta Kappa and the recipient of the Clark Prize in Public Speaking, Scott Sipprelle '85 ran for U.S. Representative on Tuesday as the Republican candidate in New Jersey's 12th district against six-term incumbent Democrat Rush Holt. With a well-funded campaign and strong support from various areas in the district, many in New Jersey thought Sipprelle might be able to pull a big upset. However, it's what the voters say on Election Day and the results clearly showed they still want Holt representing them. Holt won 53 percent of the vote, thanks in part to Holt winning 70 percent of the vote in Mercer County, home to Princeton and the capital, Trenton.

According to *The Times of Trenton*, representatives from Sipprelle's campaign said, "The 12th District was missing out on a man [that] would be a stellar representative in Congress." Sipprelle tells The Times, "We knew this was a very strong Democratic district. It was our job to put ourselves in a position to win and the early results kept with that, but at the end of the day it was too much to overcome." While defeated, Sipprelle is the only candidate ever to make Holt receive less than 60 percent of the vote, suggesting Sipprelle may have future success in the political world.

Huang reveals nuances in character of Charlie Chan

PHOTO BY KATE TUMMARELLO '11

UCSB Professor of English Yunte Huang reads from his book.

by Emily Gerston '11
News Editor

Most college students probably aren't familiar with black-and-white film and detective novel character Charlie Chan, but Yunte Huang provided a new perspective on the character in his lecture at Hamilton last Tuesday. Huang, an English professor at University of California, Santa Barbara, gave a lecture titled "Will the Real Charlie Chan Please Stand Up?" to discuss his research on the character and its history, based on his recent book *Charlie Chan: The Untold Story of the Honorable Detective and His Rendezvous with American History*.

To many people today, Charlie Chan is a racist character based on the uninformed stereotypes of the early 21st Century, even going so far as to cast a Swedish man as Charlie Chan in order to make a successful film franchise. Huang argued that the situation is more complicated. Chan represents both "the racism of American culture" and the "creative genius of American culture" of the early 20th century.

"As Charlie Chan would say, 'Truth, like football, receive many kicks before reaching goal.' I have to give the football a number of kicks [before understanding the role]," said Huang. "If you look around, the stereotypes today about Asian men [such as Jackie Chan and Jet Li have] … you know, kind of a penchant for ass kicking. But there's another image, which is Charlie Chan."

The character of Charlie Chan was invented by Earl Derr Biggers, who Huang said was inspired to create a Honolulu-based mystery novel while on vacation in Honolulu, Hawaii. However, the Charlie Chan character was based on a real person, Chang Apana, a Chinese-Hawaiian detective known for receiving permission to carry a 5' bull-whip instead of a gun. Despite being illiterate, Apana was multilingual and was the first undercover police-man in his police force. The character of Charlie Chan was instead portrayed as a laid-back detective known for his fortune-cookie style, grammatically incorrect sayings.

According to Huang, although many view Charlie Chan as a derogatory figure stereotyping Asians, Charlie Chan was a more complex character with deeper implications for both American and Chinese culture. "[Charlie Chan] represents the other stereotype and image, which is the funny aspect," explained Huang. Rather than viewing Charlie Chan solely as a product of what Huang described as "the most xenophobic age in US history – except maybe today," modern viewers should understand that Charlie Chan's "inscrutability" and rambling phrases show more about American perceptions than the Asian detective on the screen.

"Inscrutability is really Asian humor in disguise. So what I'm trying to say is that Charlie Chan and the Chinaman image was to show mainstream America that we, Asians, like a good joke as much as anyone else, really," Huang said. "Essentially, he is a trickster figure. They get you, they creep up on you, but you can't pin them down. Charlie Chan is really a made-in-America trickster," he explained, referring to the trickster literary character, such as Coyote in Native American myths.

Although Charlie Chan's heyday was over decades ago, Huang remains fascinated with the character and how it shaped, and was shaped by, American perceptions as well as Chinese reactions to the character. Huang explained, "I think it is a good moment to revisit Charlie Chan because [with] the Sino/China cultural relationship and global politics… we have a new situation."

Alumnus illuminates struggle to captivate consumers via Internet

by Kate Moore '12
News Editor

Thanks to the Internet, the fish are no longer in the barrel. Instead, they're splashing around in a stream with virtually no limits to where they, or their attention, can be directed. According to Josh Huling '05, a brand leader with Doner Advertising, the Internet has given consumers more options, and therefore more power in the world of communications. When advertisers go fishing for consumers today, a rifle will not suffice; they need an array of hooks at their command.

After graduating from Hamilton with a double major in communications and English, Huling went on to get his masters in advertising at Syracuse University. After some searching, he landed a job with Doner Advertising and is currently in charge of several client accounts, including the award-winning Detroit Zoo account. Huling says that a successful career in communications requires digging deeper than what you learn in the classroom.

"If you can get beyond that, you can become not just a more effective communicator, but more effective in your everyday life," said Huling during his lecture entitled "Surviving Communications: A medium that changed everything. And the four lessons it didn't."

The first of Huling's lessons is that the Matrix is a good metaphor for the communications field; one is always tumbling down the rabbit hole, looking to see how far it goes and pushing ever deeper. Huling's second lesson is to be concise; getting a consumer's attention and then keeping it requires that the advertiser convey the message quickly and clearly.

"The polish counts," said Huling. "How you say it can be almost, if not more, important that what you say. The medium is the message."

The third lesson is that 3 plus 1 is always more interesting than 2 plus 2 - creative answers are always the best. Being able to think creatively on one's toes is essential in the communications field.

Huling's final lesson is to know your audience. Once again, you have to dig deeper. It is a matter of knowing not only who you're talking to, but what their knowledge base is and what they want from a product or service.

Although these four lessons still hold, Huling argues that the Internet changed everything in the advertising world. Centuries ago, advertising was one-on-one; a salesman would approach you in a shop and pitch his product. In time, this expanded to a more soapbox-style strategy, in which one salesman attempted to get the attention of a larger group. Now, the advertisers are on virtually the same level as the consumers, who have more power than ever before.

"The Internet wasn't just a game-changer – it was a paradigm shift," said Huling.

Today, advertising must be relevant, engaging and convenient, while overcoming a hyper-fractured world. Instead of creating a "global village," the Internet created an information overload that has forced consumers to pick and choose what they pay attention to, rather than tuning in to everything. Thus, advertisers must call upon strategies such as viral and guerilla marketing and must make sure that their campaigns are accessible to an increasingly mobile public.

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by Joshua Yates '14
News Writer

Bates College

Bates College was chosen to host a Maine gubernatorial debate thanks to its long time media partner Maine Public Broadcasting Network. The debate featured four of the five candidates: Democrat Elizabeth Mitchell and Independents Eliot Cutler, Shawn Moody and Kevin Scott. Even though the absence of Republican candidate Paul LePage did disappoint some, the debate was a spectacle that attracted almost the entire campus and the Lewiston community.

Bates Views reports, "50 or so [lucky] students—for the most part Quimby Debate Council members and students [from] a campaign rhetoric course—brought a certain wisenheimer energy to the gathering as they and their professors watched the debate."

While entertained, the students were also serious critics, analyzing the rhetoric styles of each of the candidates in the debate. Daniel Waters '12 tells *Bates Views* that a debate is a chance to really see the candidates as people, observing "the language, posture and gestures [the candidates] use. Everything has to do with how the candidates are judged by the voting public."

The highlight of the debate was when Scott expressed support for a conditional legalization of marijuana, causing the majority of students to become swept up in an uproar of laughter and applause. "I laughed too," Associate Professor of Rhetoric Stephanie Kelley-Romano told *Bates Views*. "It was so unexpected and unorthodox for a candidate."

While the gubernatorial race, along with the entire midterm elections, have been very dull in terms of energy amongst the voters, Director of the debate Jan Hovden told *Bates Views* and the entire audience, "anything that engages people in the political process is a good thing in and of itself."

Tufts University

Do we crave vampires as much as they crave blood? From the book series *Twilight* to hit television shows like *True Blood* and *The Vampire Diaries*, vampires have certainly become part of popular culture, but why? This semester, students at Tufts will have the chance to explore the answer in a unique experimental course being offered entitled "Vampires in Civilizations." Led by Joseph Laycock, author of *Vampires Today: The Truth about Modern Vampirism*, the class takes a serious, scholarly and sometimes unexpected approach to understanding the undead.

Laycock tells the *Tufts Journal* that students will study "slavic studies, anthropology and psychoanalysis, sources ranging from Freud and Jung, anthropologists studying the folklore of medieval Eastern European villages, fiction like Bram Stoker's *Dracula* and the novels of Anne Rice." When asked why he thinks vampires have become so popular, Laycock attributes it to a growing contemporary view of vampires as "romantic heroes."

"Vampires' original role in folklore was that of the scapegoat," Laycock told the *Journal*. "The vampire was outside society. Now we see the vampire very sympathetically. It's no longer an outsider figure."

This might help explain why *Twilight* has become such a phenomenon. Laycock feels the character of Edward Cullen best shows the new image of vampires. "Edward Cullen has never killed anyone," he said. "He is a total innocent—he's just different [and] we are all outsiders of a kind." Whether we identify ourselves as part of the vampire loving community or have a real dislike for vampirism, no one can deny the "bite" vampires are trying to make in our modern day culture.

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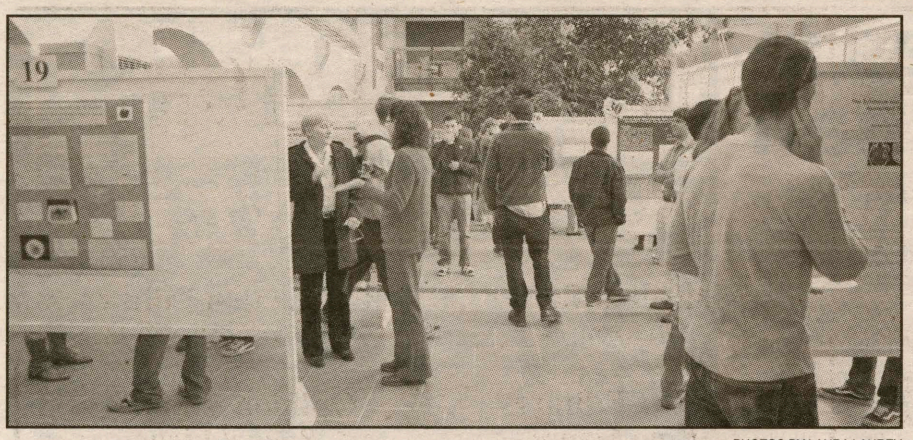

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Students and faculty presented their research and set up poster displays in the Wellin Atrium in the Science Center. Many students found their work fulfilling and were eager to share their findings with the community. President Stewart also highlighted students' achievements in her address.

College achievements showcased over Family Weekend

Levitt Summer Research Fellows

by Allison Eck '12
Managing Editor

On Friday, students, parents and faculty gathered in the Kirner-Johnson Mezzanine for the 2010 Levitt Summer Research Fellows Poster Presentation. Aside from enjoying chocolate chip pumpkin bread and punch, attendees heard from several of the 11 students who conducted research sponsored by the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center.

Topics explored included family planning program implementation in Rwanda (Steve Mello '11 with Professor Stephen Wu), media literacy education (Arielle Cutler '11), and state building and human rights in Kosovo, Macedonia and Serbia (Anne Hudson '12).

Cristina Garafola '11 examined the political ramifications of public dissent in her project entitled "When States Crack Down on Dissent: Logic of Persecution in Authoritarian Regimes." She worked with Associate Professor Government Sharon Rivera, who is on leave this semester.

"I had a really great time doing the research," Garafola said. "I think it was a really great experience because I'm a senior this semester and I'm working on my thesis right now. The project was a way to examine the range of literature on the topic and sort of condense this literature into a thesis. I got to make a data set and other things that I might not have time to do in a class structure at Hamilton."

Tongxin Lu '11 focused on underground communities in China that are loyal only to the Vatican. She says the experience helped solidify her writing and researching skills.

"This was a very intellectually and spiritually fulfilling experience because I didn't know anything about the Catholic Church this summer," Lu said. "Professor Ambrose guided me through my argument and my writing and encouraged me to argue forcefully."

All Levitt Fellows received funding for their research and work alongside a faculty member. Their work is often a preparatory exercise for the senior thesis, and the poster session gives them a chance to showcase their studies and speak publicly about them.

State of the College Address

by Hannah Grace O'Connell '14
News Contributor

A focal point of Family Weekend was President Joan Stewart's State of the College Address, held in Wellin Hall the morning of Saturday, Oct. 30. The event was well attended by students, families and faculty.

Stewart began her address with a brief reflection on the College's history, from its beginnings as the Hamilton-Oneida Academy in 1793, to the start of Hamilton College in 1812. She covered the 200 years since and mentioned s the approaching bicentennial of the College in 2012, an event which will cause Hamiltonians to ponder a number of issues, including making them "think about both our history and future, and how one shapes the other."

She described a visit to the college archives where she discovered a brochure from the early 1940s, which proclaimed that "a college like Hamilton doesn't change in 100 years." Stewart countered that by her belief that, "the face of campus may change, but its soul, its essence, stays the same."

Stewart spoke at length about an indefinable quality that Hamilton possesses, seen in both the beauty of the campus and in the metaphorical greatness of the school, seen most recently in its commitment to go need-blind for the class of 2014.

As a first generation college student from a self described "large, working class family," this newest aspect of Hamilton's financial aid program seemed especially close to Stewart's heart, and she encouraged people to contribute through the Annual Fund or the new Need Blind Endowment to make this policy possible.

Stewart discussed plans to build three new art buildings, a teaching center, theatre and studios. The first, a new museum that should be occupied by fall 2012, and it will be named for the parents of longtime trustee Keith Wellin.

Stewart cited the success of Hamilton graduates as further proof of the strength of a Hamilton education. Last spring Hamilton students received many awards, including five Fullbright teaching scholarship, ranking Hamilton sixth in the nation (tied with Williams and Amherst) for most successful in producing Fullbright Scholars.

In concluding her address, Stewart stated that the success of Hamilton students is based on their exceptional talent and the values gained by a Hamilton education, which have a lasting and lifelong impact on whoever attends the College.

"The purposes of a liberal arts education are broad and profound, [teaching] ways of thinking deeply, critically and analytically for a lifetime," said Stewart.

Embodying activism in Latin America
Environmental change invoked by race, gender

by Hannah Grace O'Connell '14
News Contributor

Anthropologist Susan Paulson believes that people can empower themselves by using their race or gender to advocate change. In her lecture on "Body, Race and the Environment" Paulson discussed how people can use their bodies to affect their environment through activism.

Paulson has done fieldwork for 15 years in Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Panama. She is currently a visiting professor at Lund University in Sweden and a professor at Miami University. In addition, she is working on a project with graduate students in Latin America on "Rural Territorial Dynamics." She came to Hamilton through a connection with Associate Professor of Anthropology Chaise LaDousa, a longtime colleague and friend.

Before her lecture began, she asked the audience why they were there. Most cited an interest in the environment or Spanish studies. Paulson discussed many aspects of Latin American society, especially those relating to the indigenous people. She not only talked about race and biology as historical systems but also questioned the role of race and gender in relation to environmental terms.

> **"A lot of political activism is about language, but in Latin America there is a long tradition of bodies being important political media."**

"A lot of political activism is about language, but in Latin America there is a long tradition of bodies being important political media," Paulson said. She demonstrated the importance of bodies as political tools with a series of photographs and anecdotes which showed how indigenous peoples used their bodies to raise awareness of land rights or equality.

For example, both indigenous and urban people in Brazil participated in protests where they dressed up in traditional indigenous clothing. They used the clothing as a way of identifying themselves as natives, and therefore they had a stronger claim to the land. Many people used this strategy of embracing their common heritage in a movement back to the more tribal associations of Latin America

At the conclusion of her lecture, Paulson asked the audience for "ideas to resolve this creative puzzle I have about how we think of race, gender and the environment." She opened the floor for people to ask questions and present their own opinions on a variety of topics, from the role of religion in activism to the perception of anthropologists in Latin America. During this time, Paulson stressed the importance of changing the status quo which discourages and even represses the discussion of race.

"If we just assume someone is born a certain way, there is no motivation to build a more just and fruitful world," Paulson said.

A Great Name, A Great Success

We join those on campus who have thanked the Sacerdote family over the past week for their contributions to Hamilton and the community through the Great Names Series. They have continually provided the school with the means to attract truly great names like former Secretary of State Dr. Condoleezza Rice to our campus. Likewise, we must thank the administration and the Great Names Committee for choosing to bring Dr. Rice to campus, someone who not only has been an important international figure, but also someone whose views and insights remain relevant to current politics.

We appreciate the work of the question selection committee in screening questions for the event. The questions directed to Dr. Rice following her lecture presented a wide variety of viewpoints while managing to represent the diversity of the community. We were happy to hear questions from students, faculty and staff. We also appreciate that the committee did not shy away from selecting difficult questions, and we congratulate them on not censoring student viewpoints.

We must also thank Dr. Rice for coming to campus and being so accessible. In addition to being part of the series, Dr. Rice also had a question-and-answer session with Professor Cafruny and Visiting Lecturer Dehn's classes. Dr. Rice made a clear effort to tailor her public lecture for an audience comprised mostly of college students.

Interesting thoughts were presented both inside and outside the Field House. We were happy to see that the College didn't interfere with the Social Justice Initiative's decision to protest, and it was heartening to see people on both sides of the picket line demonstrate understanding. The protesters continued the recent emergence of a spirit on the Hamilton campus bent towards public expression, beginning with the candlelight march of two weeks ago.

Finally, thanks should be given to all those individuals and organizations that often go overlooked in the course of the event. Lisa Magnarelli sent out a list that thanked "Bon Appetit, Physical Plant, Audiovisual Services, Tech Crew, Athletics, all our incredible ushers, the Dean of Students Office, Alumni Programs, Communications and Development, the Student Activities Office, the Print Shop, Media Relations, Administrative Services, the shuttle coordinators, drivers and escorts, Campus Safety, HCEMS and the President's Office," and we would like to thank these organizations as well. In addition, we would like to thank the Great Names committee, including Ms. Magnarelli, who worked extremely hard over the past few months to make the Great Names Series possible.

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Student Reactions:
Condoleezza Rice as the 2010 Sacerdote Great Names speaker

compiled by Opinon Writers and Editors

"Condoleezza was charismatic and well spoken but her speech was not as thought provoking as a $200,000 speech should've been. Although the questions were great, her answers avoided them and seemed somewhat scripted."
– Matt Ross '13

"While Condoleezza spoke very eloquently during her speech, I found the question and answer session lacking substance."
– Paige Cross '13

"Obviously Rice was a good speaker and was always logical and reasonable. Though, the speech was rather short and said nothing new or very exciting. She didn't come off as controversial. It seemed like a speech she would give on Capitol Hill...basically recycled her political views with some positive attention payed to the benefits of education and pursuing your dreams."
– Nathan Livingston '14

"She revealed that at the core of the Grand Old Party is not the hegemony of a select group, but the preservation of the thought our founding fathers, particularly Thomas Jefferson. Dr. Rice did something I did not think was possible, particularly for the Hamilton College community. She did not mug us with reality, instead, she charmed us with it."
– Will Eagan '11

"She's a smart woman and she knows how to answer questions without actually answering them. I was surprised by her views on immigration, because they seem more liberal, which I liked. Her speech was lackluster besides the immigration point. It seemed just like a lot of memorized lines and pretty ingenuine."
– Alice Henry '14

"Oh, and by the way, Rice's remarks about education were encouraging, though her political notions were obviously controversial."
– Anna Paikert '13

"I wish she had the courage to admit that she was wrong."
– Eamon Anderson '14

"Though I do not agree with everything that she said, I have a great deal of respect for her for answering some tough questions in front of a tough crowd. I do wish that she could have answered some of the questions more thoroughly, however, I was pleased with the overall quality her speech."
– Jason Elek '13

"I think she dumbs down the content of her speeches to the level with which she believes her audience will be satisfied enough not to ask questions but doesn't directly address questions or major topics. She also referred to our presence in Afghanistan as a blessing and implied that America, in all its perfection, needs to help Afghanistan to achieve equal perfection. Name one American governmental system that works perfectly."
– Harper Gany-Beitler '13

"Dr. Rice used her outstanding public speaking skills to deceive us; she ducked, dodged and dived in order to avoid answering any question directly. I looked forward to her response regarding her biggest 'regrets' from her time as Secretary of State, but instead she took the word to mean 'what I wish I had done' - that is not the same thing! As an international student, the rhetorical patriotism of her speech stood out to me both during her lecture and during the question and answer session. As a shining example of social mobility in the USA, she has a great deal be proud of, but does not have the right to make sweeping generalizations such that similar movement is largely not possible in the UK."
– Kieran Wilson '14

"I thought her presentation was intellectually challenging because she presented ideas that I fundamentally disagreed with in a positive light. I had to keep reminding myself of the differences between my opinions and hers. I am glad I don't have to debate her."
– Jacob Kleinrock '11

"I think that while she was very charismatic, she avoided answering any of the questions presented to her."
– Shaha Zehra '14

"Condee is a queen. Though she had to swerve around controversial issues making her 10 minute talk sound like one of those highschool graduation speeches where you already know what your going to hear, she's still one of the sharpest cookies your going to find in America's melting pot."
– Tona Crouch '13

"Smart lady, not so smart questions"
– Becca Mack '13

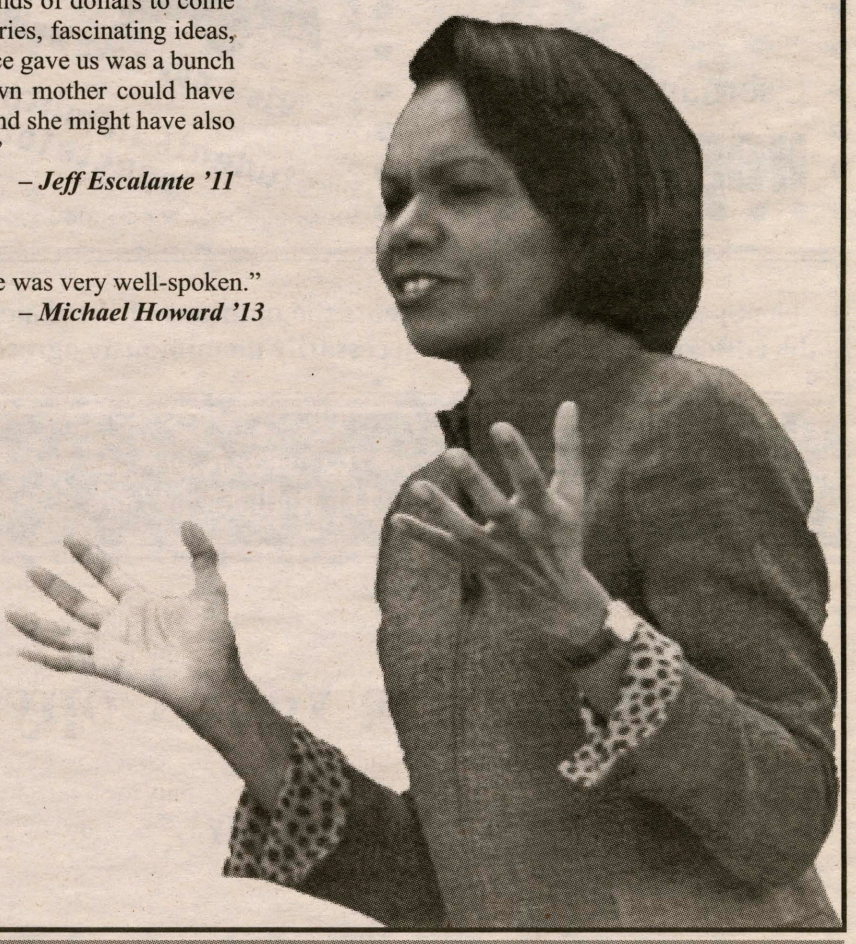
"And oh, by the way, although she was very eloquently spoken, she can dodge a question with the best of them."
– Zack Franciose '13

"Previously nonplussed by her appearance as the great names speaker, I didn't go into the event expecting my mind to be blown. But after Joan Hinde's citing of Rice's extremely extensive and impressive qualifications and accomplishments, I thought that perhaps this could be an interesting speech. However, I was disappointed by Rice's very standard and uninteresting monologue. Usually, when you are paying someone hundreds of thousands of dollars to come speak, you expect mind blowing stories, fascinating ideas, useful information, etc. But what Rice gave us was a bunch of conventional wisdom that my own mother could have just as easily told me, for free. Oh, and she might have also remembered Joanie's last name too."
– Jeff Escalante '11

"I was impressed by the way she spoke and even though I may not have agreed with her, I left with a sense of respect for this controversial political figure."
– Amanda Barnes '12

"It's always tough finding a way to reach an gym full of college students, but from the start Condi was in complete control of everything. I've never seen a woman more on her toes, not only speaking passionately about her beliefs, but also giving strong advice and persuasively defending her opinions of right and wrong."
– Tom Youngblood '13

"She was very well-spoken."
– Michael Howard '13



"While Condoleezza Rice definitely fulfills the role of "Great Speaker", I was pretty disappointed with her speech. She had a tendency to self-glorify and repeat herself, and the subject of her speech was not as interesting as I expected. The question and answer period was also underwhelming, as she avoided every question as she spent her time as a politician doing... a lively speaker that was relevant or fun would have been much more worthwhile."
– Pete Adelfio '13

"I thought she answered the tougher policy questions with a lot of background, but the answers themselves seemed buried within her responses; I also felt that she relied heavily on Bush administration rhetoric about the decisions made rather than looking at them in retrospect. We already know about the arguments made for invasion and war concerning WMD's, women's liberation and the need to keep the country safe after 9/11...hearing them after we've established that really none of these has been guaranteed through our actions so far didn't really do much for me. I was hoping for, although not expecting, more of an honest analysis of how well those reasons for invasion ended up being addressed by policy decisions."
– Alexandra Nasto '13

Letters to the Editor in response to Condoleezza Rice's *Great Names* lecture

Re: "Oh, and by the way..."

I'm the type of girl who usually ignores people on the street handing out fliers or holding signs; I'm guessing the world won't end in 2012 and no thanks, I don't need a free DVD animation of the Book of Mormon.

But former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice's visit to campus was the first time I felt compelled to become that person handing out fliers and raising awareness, so I joined the Social Justice Initiative (SJI) protest outside the Field House on November 1.

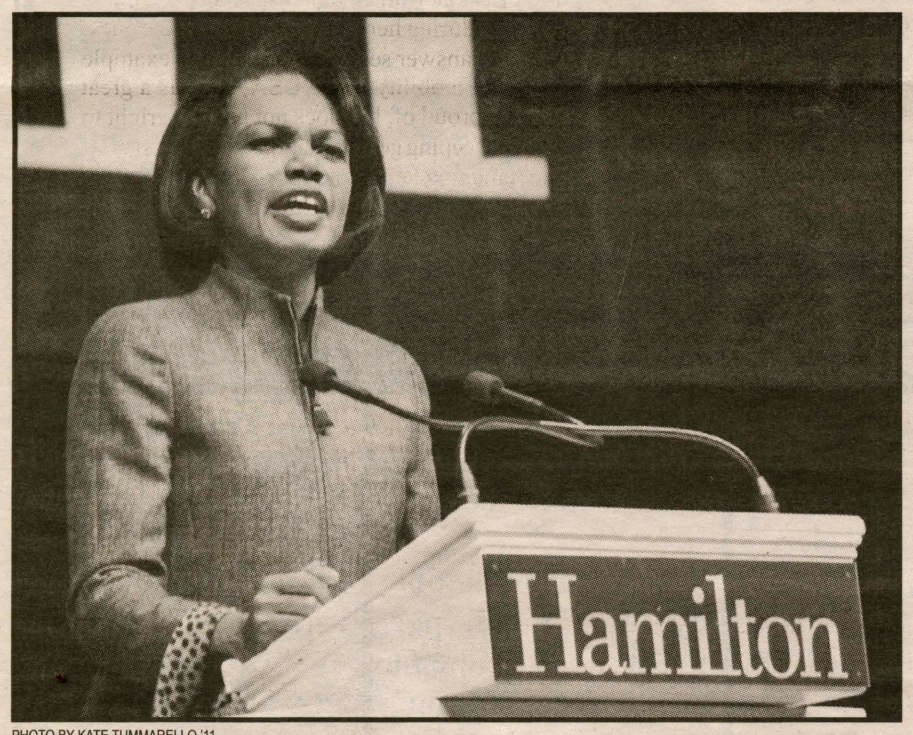
Admittedly, I was nervous about what message SJI wanted to send and how they would go about it. I wish the cardboard signs didn't contain *#@(% words but instead provoking statistics or thoughtful quotes. That being said, SJI reminded me that although time passes, people should still be held accountable for their actions.

Whether Dr. Rice was invited here because she is a conservative, a woman, talented pianist, African-American or professor is irrelevant. It goes without saying that serving as the Secretary of State is a remarkable and admirable achievement. Her remarks extolling her dedication to the pursuit of knowledge and the pursuit of the American Dream are also commendable.

What gave me pause was the fact that Dr. Rice was, to quote President Stewart, in the "upper echelon" of an administration that led to a colossal national debt, the deaths of over 5,753 soldiers and over 100,000 civilians in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom (according to U.S. Central Command and estimates by the Associated Press), and the questionable approval of 'enhanced interrogation techniques' which some say amount to torture.

If that isn't enough to merit a re-examination of her role as Secretary of State, what is? I encourage my fellow students to think about what would it take for you to stand up for a cause, like a Frenchmen whose retirement age is about to be raised. What would you defend?

Sincerely,
Alden Masters '11



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Re: Condoleezza Rice's lecture

Condoleeza Rice, along with other leading Bush administration officials, participated in an orchestrated attempt to justify the invasion of Iraq with lies and propaganda: that Saddam Hussein was complicit in 9/11; that there were close links between al qaeda and Iraq; and that Iraq had developed nuclear weapons and was capable of using these against the United States. Rice was also intimately involved in the un-American and unpatriotic decision to torture prisoners, a shameful blot on American values and a violation of U.S. and international law. War and occupation lead inevitably to extreme barbarism. On the most conservative estimates 125,000 Iraqi civilians died as a result of the invasion and subsequent civil war, insurgency and counterinsurgency while millions were displaced or driven into refugee status. 4,500 American soldiers died; many more young men and women suffered horrible injuries from which they will never recover. Contemporary Iraq remains a violent police state on the brink of renewed civil war. No objective observer could agree with Rice's insinuation that the Iraqi people, the Persian Gulf region as a whole and the American people have benefited from this tragic and unnecessary suffering.

Rice's speech reminded me of the words of the late New York Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan: "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion but not his own facts." Her speech contained numerous falsehoods, half-truths and distortions. In the end, it was all about herself. It was designed not to educate but to rehabilitate. Given her record in office, this was only to be expected.

Sincerely,
Alan Cafruny, *Henry Bristol Professor of International Affairs*

Re: Condoleezza Rice as Sacerdote Great Names speaker

I'll admit, last week's Spectator front page startled me for a second. "Hamilton Ponders: 'What's in a Great Name?'" – Well that's funny, I thought, they accidentally ran a two year old article about the Sacerdote Great Name Series.

It is a little absurd to think that someone would have to defend the 'great name' description of Condoleeza Rice, especially in the scholarly environment of Hamilton. We can all admit that the community generally leans left. On election night in 2008, people literally ran naked across campus after pundits called the race for President Obama. Normally, this wouldn't be out of the ordinary, but then we must remember that it was at night.

But I always assumed the campus would be tolerant, or at least willing to listen, or at least give light consideration to listening, or at least identify constructive ways to illustrate points of difference when prematurely deciding listening is clearly not an option (The Q&A session, perhaps?).

Recall, for example, the confusion that struck some members of the Hamilton community when the Sacerdote committee announced Jon Stewart as their next Great Name speaker. Jon Stewart is first and foremost a comedian by his own admission, one with a quick wit and a big break. But what did Jon Stewart ever do to make his name great? He has thrown some softball questions to politicians and celebrities, and does a killer impression of Glenn Beck. But with all due respect to Stewart, in the great name debate, he cannot hold a candle to Former Secretary of State Condoleeza Rice.

Condoleeza Rice was the first black female Secretary of State in the history of the country. She has met with more world leaders, policy makers and influential intellectuals that could occupy the temporary stage in the field house. She has been more involved with decisions, from hailed to demonized, in the last decade than anyone who has spoken at Hamilton. President Obama invited her to the Oval Office a few weeks ago for a private meeting on his upcoming key foreign policy decisions.

Regarding her personal life, Rice grew up in the South in the 1960s, and has a remarkable personal story about her family's relationship to the Civil Rights movement and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Her story became the focus of her new book and her discussion on Jon Stewart's The Daily Show a few weeks ago. She currently holds two professorships at Stanford, that little-known college out west somewhere.

Given all that she's witnessed and accomplished, it's hard to imagine any member of the Hamilton community questioning whether or not Rice qualifies as a great name, especially when one considers this series has already hosted both of her predecessors. And if Jon Stewart and President Obama can give her their attention, maybe those members of the Hamilton community can bring themselves to do so as well.

Sincerely,
Jerome Noel '09

Re: SJI *Great Names* protest

I was dismayed to read on the front page of your Oct. 28th issue that members of the faculty, in concert with the Social Justice Initiative, are organizing a protest of the selection of Condoleezza Rice as this fall's Great Names speaker. I do not recall any similar (faculty) organized protest against inviting Colin Powell, George W. Bush's Secretary of State, or Margaret Thatcher, the Conservative former Prime Minister of England—and certainly not for any of the Great Names speakers representing distinctly more liberal perspectives, like Al Gore or comedian Jon Stewart.

Don't get me wrong. I fully support the First Amendment rights of Professors Orvis and Cafruny to speak critically of any public official, as I do the rights of students to protest or even boycott speakers with whom they disagree.

And don't misinterpret my perspective in this matter. I strongly disagreed with the manner and justification with which the Bush administration invaded Iraq, as well as many other policies during his two terms as president. I voted for Barack Obama—in part because I wanted the country to move away from what I saw as an arrogant and bullying approach to foreign policy (so now you know my views).

But the prospect of a faculty-led protest of a person whose academic as well as diplomatic credentials are beyond reproach and who dutifully carried out the policies of her president makes me cringe a bit. In my view, it crosses the line between teaching students how to think and telling then what to think.

I also cannot help but see it in the context of a series of recent on-campus programs—in many cases sponsored by the faculty and the administration—that evidence a pervasive pattern of promoting left-leaning ideologies.

Altogether it suggests to me that there is not much room these days for debate within a faculty culture dominated by one side of the political spectrum. This public flailing of Ambassador Rice before she even sets foot on College Hill feels not only ungracious but also uncomfortably closed-minded.

I would hope that my Hamilton College would be a place that practices open and civil debate, a place that entertains and evaluates legitimate ideas from all points of the political spectrum.

If the only place in town students can hear conservative ideas is the independent Alexander Hamilton Institute, then the college has lost something important.

Sincerely,
A. Barrett Seaman '67

Parents' Weekend and Fallcoming to be combined for Bicentennial celebration:

A disaster or a delight?

by Rachel Lieb '13
Opinion Editor

It was recently announced that next October Fallcoming and Parents' Weekend will be combined to celebrate Hamilton's Bicentennial. The first question that popped into my head, however was "where will everyone park?"

The 200 year marker is certainly a worthy thing to celebrate, but is one mega-weekend of craziness the best possible way to do it?

Meredith Harper Bonham, Chief of Staff and Secretary of the Board of Trustees, said, "We decided that combining Fallcoming and Family Weekend would facilitate the involvement of alumni, parents and trustees in our Bicentennial kick-off celebration. The College's 200th birthday is a momentous occasion, and we want as many of our friends and supporters as possible to take part in the festivities."

While the sentiment of a shared celebration is admirable, the combined weekend poses some problems for students who typically work during Fallcoming, assisting alumni or attending particular events. For those students who would like their parents to visit and would like to work Fallcoming the combined weekend is an almost impossible feat. Though the administration has yet to divulge specific details with the campus, the weekend is still far off.

Bonham further shares, "We're in the midst of planning the weekend, with input from lots of people from across the campus. Many of the traditional events will incorporate the Bicentennial theme, but we are also exploring some new initiatives that will honor the College's rich history and encourage people to think about its future."

The combined weekend does provide some benefits. Those students involved in orchestra, instrumental ensembles and a capella groups, for example, would perform once instead of twice within a very short period of time, taking away some of the pressure involved in planning two back-to-back performances. Recent (or not so recent) graduates could network with parents, who might be more willing to hire a Hamilton graduate.

The weekend would truly be a celebration with so many people in attendance. This is a special occasion that the entire community, parents and alumni included, should take part in. The prospect of a combined Fallcoming and Parents' weekend is both exciting and daunting.

While a lot of careful planning will be necessary for a successful weekend, the experience will certainly be memorable. If next year's combined Fallcoming and Family weekend is a success, maybe it will become a new Hamilton tradition.

Bonham concluded, "Although we have discussed in the past the possibility of combining the two weekends, the Bicentennial seemed to provide the perfect opportunity to give it a try."

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by James Grebey '12
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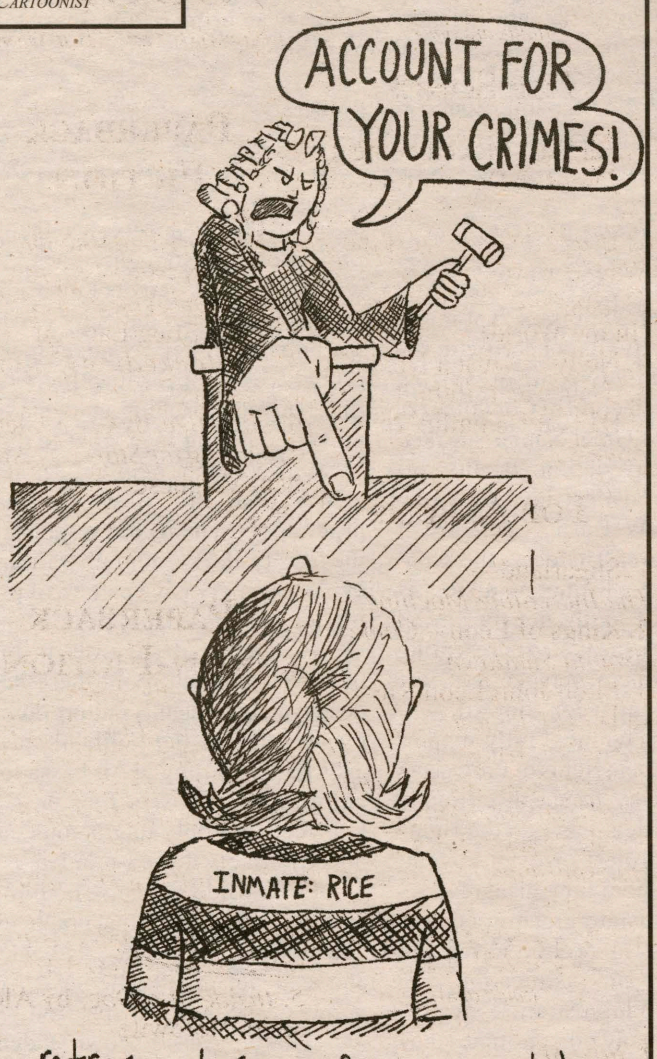
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In retrospect, some of our expectations for Condoleezza's talk might have been a bit too high...

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by Greg Jordan '11 and Lesley Ryder '11

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UCB show lacks pizzazz

by Rachel Pohl '11
Senior Editor

As a part of Hamilton's parent's weekend, the award winning sketch comedy group, the Upright Citizens Brigade, performed and was a responsible for a number of laughs. Hamilton's improv comedy group, Yodapez, warmed up the audience first with a couple of improv exercises and introduced UCB. The group was founded by four comedians: Matt Besser, Amy Poehler, Ian Roberts and Matt Walsh. They originially emerged from Chicago's ImproveOlympic in 1990, but in 1996, relocated to New York. Now, the UCB theatre is in Hollywood and is one of the best improv, sketch and stand-up comedy groups in the Los Angeles area. Their mission is to "foster both an appreciation and education of the arts through affordable and high quality comedic performances and classes."

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The first half of the UCB's material came from a short interview with Jamie Azdair '13, who talked about his involvements on campus as an EMT, football player and dark-side dweller. With the information from the interview, the group played a number of improv games that made references to the light side and dark side, playing football at Hamilton and "true life" as an EMT. The second half of their performance was fueled by suggestions from the audience. This is the second time the group has performed at Hamilton. The general consensus is that their first performance two years ago was better, especially regarding the second half of the set. Because the first half of their performance was interview based and therefore more relevant to Hamilton humor, UCB better connected with the audience than with their second half based off random phrases.

Megan Bolger '11 commented, "I thought that the performance was really great, enjoyed how the performers set up their show with an interview it allowed them an insight into Hamilton life and gave them the ability to create inside jokes with people they had never met which obviously was hilarious."

When asked what she thought of the show, Ilse Zoerb '11, Yodapez member, noted, "It's impressive that UCB does long form – longer scenes that normally go from a three minute scene to another three minute scene as opposed to a short choppy scenes- because it's definitely something to strive for." UCB and Yodapez have two very different approaches to improv, because the long form puts less emphasis on the laugh, and more of a focus on character development, relationships and conflict resolution. Short form relies on more gag-type jokes. Zoerb further explained, "I think life is a huge improv, just no one applauds at the end of the day. Every day we are given situations, and we have to learn to adapt to it. The magic of improv is that you never know what you're going to get."

Klezmer brings the madness

by Allison Eck '12
Managing Editor

An eclectic couple of concerts will add some flair to the Wellin Hall stage this weekend, the first of which features klezmer, the musical tradition of the Ashkenazic Jews of Eastern Europe. The style, which has grown in popularity in the U.S., is characterized by its ability to mimic the human voice; in fact, dreydlekh (a Yiddish word for musical ornaments) and krekhts (meaning "sobs") coarse the expressive melodic lines.

David Krakauer's Klezmer Madness! is headed by clarinetist David Krakauer. According to The New York Times, Krakauer's band "hurls the tradition of klezmer music into the rock era." In this respect, Krakauer's clarinet noodling is an amalgamation of jazz, funk, rock and hip-hop. Krakauer continues a tradition that has influenced not only folk music, but classical and orchestral jazz as well; some believe that the opening clarinet lick of in Gerswhin's Rhapsody in Blue was a tribute to the klezmer clarinet playing that he had heard in his youth. Famed clarinetist Benny Goodman, too, may have been influenced by this style. And finally, some classical composers like Dmitri Shostakovitch - weirdly enough - celebrated the wild and estastic spirit of klezmer music in several of his piano and string arrangements.

Krakauer and his band have performed at the Zankel Hall, the Library of Congress, Stanford Lively Arts, San Francisco Performances, Symphony Space in New York, and a host of European venues. They come to Hamilton this Saturday at 8 p.m.; tickets are $5 for students and $12 for community members. Klezmer Madness! comprises Michael Sarin (drums), Sheryl Bailey (guitar), Nicki Parrot (bass) and Will Holshouser (accordion) - a group of incomparable madness.

Also this weekend is Associate Professor of Music Heather Buchman's faculty recital on trombone. Buchman's second performance this semester will also feature Sar Shalom-Strong on piano and Ilze Brink-Button on french horn. Buchman will begin with Mahler Lieder aus der Jugendzeit, which was on the program for her last recital, followed by the Prelude, Allemande, Bourées, and Gigue from the Bach 3rd Suite in C Major and an alto trombone transcription Domenico Scarlatti's Piano Sonata in E Major, a selection inspired by Vladimir Horowitz's 1986 rendition.

Other selections, including Marcel Bitsch's Quatre variations sur un thème de D. Scarlatti, originally for trumpet, are more modern arrangements - a nice compliment to the modern klezmer fusion from the night before.

Weekly Charts

MUSIC
(billboard.com)

Top Songs

1. Far East Movement feat. Cataracs & Dev—"Like a G6"
2. Bruno Mars—"Just the Way You Are"
3. Rihanna— "Only Girl (In the World)"
4. Nelly— "Just a Dream"
5. Usher feat. Pitbull—"DJ Got Us Fallin' In Love"

Top Albums

1. Sugarland—*The Incredible Machine*
2. Kings of Leon—*Come Around Sundown*
3. Elton John/Leon Russell—*The Union*
4. Rod Stewart—*Fly Me to the Moon: The Great American Songbook, Vol. 5*
5. Lil Wayne—*I Am Not a Human Being*

MOVIES
(imdb.com)

1. *Saw 3D*
2. *Paranormal Activity 2*
3. *Red*
4. *Jackass 3D*
5. *Hereafter*

BOOKS
(New York Times "Best Sellers")

Paperback Fiction

1. *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo,* by Stieg Larsson
2. *The Girl Who Played With Fire,* by Stieg Larsson
3. *Unlocked,* by Karen Kingsbury
4. *Little Bee,* by Chris Cleave
5. *Cutting for Stone,* by Abraham Verghese

Paperback Non-Fiction

1. *Eat, Pray, Love,* by Elizabeth Gilbert
2. *Three Cups of Tea,* by Greg Mortensen and David Oliver Relin
3. *The Glass Castle,* by Jeannette Walls
4. *The Accidental Billionaires,* by Ben Mezrich
5. *Inside of a Dog,* by Alexandra Horowitz

Watch out America: It's the gleek revolution

by Lily Gillespie '12
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

I don't think I have to tell anyone that a capella is incredibly popular at Hamilton. When an a capella concert is better attended than many sporting events, that says something. Just look at this weekend's concerts; on both nights, the Chapel was filled to the rafters, and not just with dutiful parents there to support their kid. The students equaled, if not outnumbered, the parents in attendance. High attendance is not reserved for Family Weekend either; the orientation week concert is a highly anticipated and routinely well-attended event, as are the smaller concerts throughout the year. What's intriguing is that this isn't just Hamilton's fascination; a capella fever has swept the country, particularly on college campuses, even ones on which the athletics are more strongly emphasized than at Hamilton.

It has become such a phenomenon that the esteemed *Washington Post* published an entire article devoted to the fascination with a capella in October. The piece focuses largely on the culture of a capella that has developed at Georgetown University, where joining a group is akin to rushing a Greek society. The a capella groups also develop their own tight knit bond through their hours of rehearsal and road trips to other schools. In this way, the groups can sometimes function in the same capacity that Greek societies do, especially at schools that don't have Greek life, like Georgetown, without the exclusivity that some people find unattractive about fraternities and sororities.

Junior Colin Chapin, a member of the Buffers, Hamilton's only all-male a capella group, explains that for him, "a-capella is so big nationally because it departs from a stereotypical vocal performance." Rather than a traditional musical performance, "We sing a wide variety of music, especially current hits, and many groups nationally bring in comedic and performance aspects to increase the entertainment value." The Buffers have certainly been known for their comedy routines, an integral—if sometimes racy—part of their shows.

Liz Gil '13, a member of Special K, one of two all-female groups, has enjoyed the autonomy of an a capella group. She explains, "I think a major part of the pull of a capella groups is that they're student run. Since music choices in these groups aren't dictated by an older music director…I think it's an opportunity for freer musical expression." The students have agency in the group and its actions in a way they may not as members of groups with adult oversight.

Both Chapin and Gil cite previous singing experience as children and in high school as part of the impetus for their joining a capella groups. This is not uncommon at Hamilton where many members of the various groups have had some kind of singing experience and wanted to further their interest in college.

While a capella has become extraordinarily popular in its own right, shows like *The Sing-Off* and *Glee* have only fueled the fire. *The Sing-Off* featured a capella groups from colleges and universities around the country pitched in a weekly sing-off. Then there's *Glee*. Some people love it, some people hate it, but everyone knows about it. In fact, it developed such a following that 11 million people tuned in for last season's finale. As Gil suggested, "Shows like Glee have been met with such positive reactions from viewers, and emphasize the genuine fun of performing." Additionally, she credits these kinds of shows with energizing a crowd who hears an a capella group perform a song from *Glee* and gets excited about it. The gleeks have become the cool kids, a trend that is only bound to spread.

PHOTOS BY NANCY FORD

Above, Duelly Noted; Below, Tumbling After. All five Hamilton a capella groups performed at the Family Weekend concert.

Lucca shines in front of a small audience

by Taylor Coe '13
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Before playing his final song of the night, Matt Simons thanked the crowd for appearing at all. "I know you probably wanted to watch the World Series," he said, going on to acknowledge himself not only as a baseball fan but a lifelong Giants fan. "My 10 year-old self would be mad at me for not watching it," he admitted, before rounding out his lackluster (though heartfelt) set of songs and turning the Coffeehouse stage over to headliner Tony Lucca.

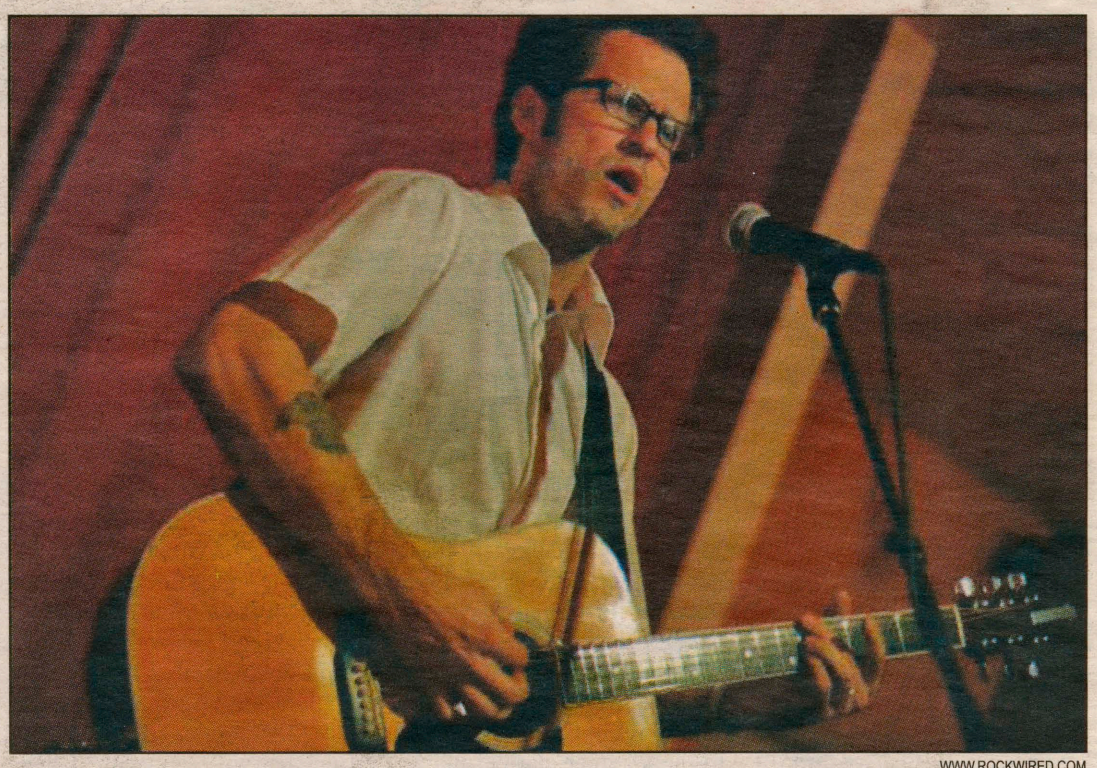
> **"Lucca's set remains the best acoustic performance so far this year."**

Although Simons is still a fledgling musician, he has already claimed a spot in the musical universe that is Brooklyn, New York. Unsigned to a label, Simons has privately released two EPs online as well as one LP of originals and covers available for free. Simons's music, however, is best heard live, not in the guise of these simple recordings.

Given more time to grow out his sound, I think Simons could develop into a coffeehouse luminary along the lines of Jay Nash or Tony Lucca. As seen last Thursday, Simons fits the bill with an honest face and an easy charisma, not to mention the vocal skills and neat melodies to pull the music together. Although Simons's older tunes were rather uninspired, he showed a leap in development through the two new songs that he played. One of these two developed a surprisingly spirited melody more reminiscent of Broadway than the candle-lit ease of prior contributions.

In contrast to Simons was the headliner Tony Lucca, an established songwriter and performer whose career will be forever stamped by his participation in the Mickey Mouse Club. Only 20 years ago, Lucca was friends with current tabloid personalities Keri Russell and Justin Timberlake. I asked Lucca if he ever found himself jealous of Timberlake's current fortune and fame and he admitted that his feelings on the matter have been "an internal war waged over the years." Lucca mostly envies the control that Timberlake exerts over his music, noting also that "control begets control"—the more successful a performer in Timberlake's position becomes, the more control that performer receives.

Lucca explained to me that he's seen more than his fair share of what he terms "gold-encrusted carrots" over the years—opportunities that would have led him to success but would also have infringed on his artistic integrity. Lucca has chosen instead to be himself and write the songs that he wants to write, hoping that with time the public will recognize his music in its own right.



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Tony Lucca performed a solo acoustic set at last Thursday's Acoustic Coffeehouse.

The charm that Lucca exerted on me in person also appeared onstage. Lucca managed an easy composure when faced by a crowd that was slowly dissipating over the course of his set. However, presented with a smaller crowd, Lucca felt more comfortable telling longer stories and allowed himself to talk at length about the inspiration behind certain songs. He described the genesis behind his song "All Up in Your Place" and how his fans took to calling it "The Stalker Song." The song details the month spent alone in his girlfriend's apartment and the not-so-endearing details of his day-to-day life there.

Lucca's set remains the best acoustic performance so far this year and possibly the best solo Acoustic Coffeehouse performance of the past year and a half (only Joey Ryan holds a candle to him). The sad fact of the matter is that not many were there to witness it. If Lucca's set proved anything, however, it proved that the smaller the audience, the better. Large audiences take the personality away from the show; they place an emphasis on the music instead of the performer. The stories are also part of the songs, and we should not forget that. It was hard to forget that watching Tony Lucca.

SPOOKY STYLE: Best dressed Halloween 2010

The Spectator **asked you to submit your best Halloween getups this year. These are our favorites.**

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Agathe Rondeau '14 rocks Lady Gaga's look.

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Tea Partiers Kelsey Mellette '11, Olivia Waxman '11, and Becky Cairns '11, who dressed up as Christine O'Donnell, the Republican Senate candidate from Delaware who is *not* a witch.

PHOTO BY EMI KATSUTA '11

Arielle Cutler '11 as Tionne "T-Boz" Watkins, Lisa Buch '11 as Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes and Paulina Mandeville '11 as Rozonda "Chilli" Thomas of TLC.

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Sophomore Galia Slayen as (and with) everyone's favorite Solo cup.

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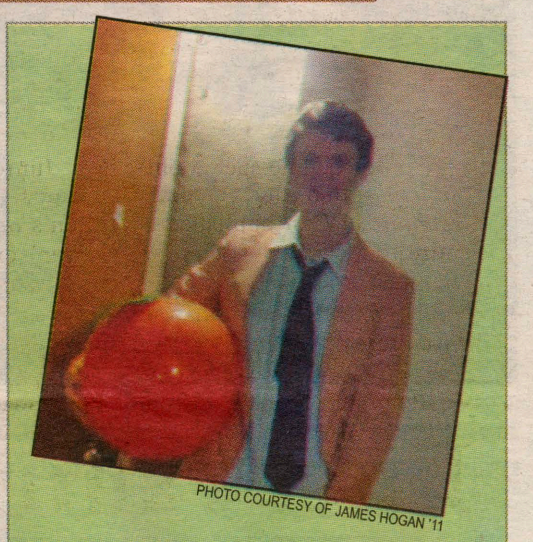
Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Meg Braaten '11 (Raphael), Julie Meurer '11 (Leonardo), Sarah Bray '11 (Michelangelo) and Anne Graveley '11 (Donatello).



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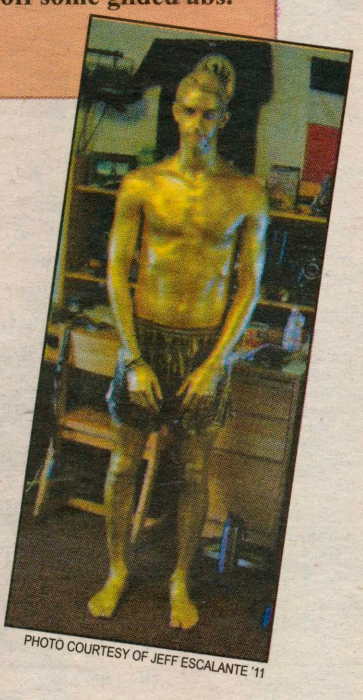
James Hogan '11 and his Giant Peach.

Goldman Jeff Escalante '11 shows off some gilded abs.



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Juniors Annika Treyball and Leah Koren as Nickelodeon's CatDog.

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Rachel Pohl '11, better known as the Girl with a Pearl Earring.

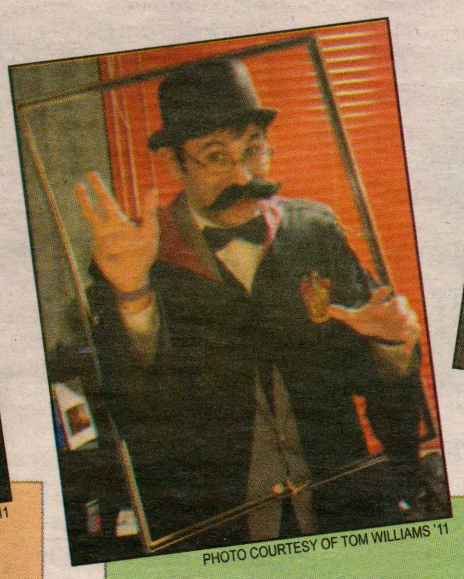

PHOTO COURTESY OF TOM WILLIAMS '11

Tom Williams '11 channels Newton "Newt" Scamander (full name Newton Artemis Fido Scamander), author of *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* and former headmaster of Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, chillin' in his picture frame hanging in Dumbledore's Office.

Trust Treat: Halloween fun for local kids

by Kerry Coughlin '11
Senior Staff Writer

While many Hamilton students may have been too busywith work to to appreciate the joys of Halloween, this wasn't the case for the local children who came up the Hill to trick-or-treat this past Sunday.

The trick-or-treaters were here as part of Trust Treat, a celebration created to bring children from Utica and children of Hamilton employees together to trick-or-treat in the safe environment of the campus. During his freshman year, Eric Trust '92 passed away unexpectedly on Halloween; his classmates founded Trust Treat the following year in honor of Eric and his concern for others.

Every year since then, Hamilton students have had the opportunity to sign up either to lead trick-or-treaters around campus, or to provide their dorm room as a candy stop or haunted house. The children come primarily from the Thea Bowman House, an organization in Utica that reaches out to young people in the community.

Trust Treat is organized by the Father John Croghan and the Newman Council, as well as student leaders. This year, Emily Tompsett '13 took charge of Trust Treat, along with classmates Lindsay Kramer '13, Rachel Tiche '13 and Kiernan Acquisto '13.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF HALEY PETERSON '11

Haley Peterson '11 and Jane Hannon '11 (far back) pose with trick-or-treaters in front of Benedict Hall on Sunday evening.

This Halloween, a multitude of dorms and organizations partook in Trust Treat: Babbitt, the Black and Latino Student Union (BLSU), Burke Library, Carnegie, the Chemistry Department, the Wollcott Cooperative (CoOp), Dunham, Eels, the Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), Ferguson, Gamma Xi, HAVOC, IFICS Science Fiction Club, Keehn, Kirkland, McIntosh, the men's hockey team, Milbank, North, Root, South and Wertimer.

James Beslity '11, part of the CoOp haunted house stop, said, "Trust Treat was a really wonderful experience. It was great to be able to provide a safe environment for kids to trick-or-treat in, and I had a lot of fun myself!"

Jane Hannon '11 served as a Trust Treat tour guide for her third year and said she "swear[s] it gets better every year." One of her favorite parts of Trust Treat, she said, "is seeing how so much of the Hamilton community – people of all different kinds – come together to make Halloween really fun for the kids."

The Trust Treat committee found this year to be a big success. Acquisito said that it was tough at first, "since the four of us hadn't had the opportunity to see Trust Treat to fruition before" but found it to be "a really rewarding experience. Tiche agreed, saying, "Organizing this kind of event can be hard, especially when you don't know how many kids will show up, but it's awesome to see the campus supporting the greater community."

FROM WHERE I SIT
HAMILTON'S INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

by Hadeel Alhaddedeh
Fulbright Teaching Fellow for the Arabic Language

My name is Hadeel Alhaddadeh, and I am a Fulbright Teaching Fellow for the Arabic Language.

Two weeks ago I had the honor of attending the first Tomorrow's Youth Organization (TYO) Gala at the Ritz Carlton in Washington, D.C. It was an amazing event for an amazing organization. Honored guests included Bill Clinton, Quincy Jones and Cherie Blair, among others.

The event highlighted the urgent need for innovative programming for children and woman in the West Bank and Middle East.

TYO is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that works in disadvantaged areas of the Middle East, enabling children, youth and parents to realize their potential as healthy, active and responsible family and community members.

My project has been chosen among the 10 business plans selected to continue through Phase II of the Fostering Woman Entrepreneur Nablus (FWEN) initiative.

The mission of my project is to establish a Palestinian institute which offers young Palestinians the ability to travel, learn a foreign language, achieve personal growth and gain invaluable work experiences.

In early October, I received the invitation to represent the TYO participants in FWEN Corporation with Cherie Blair's Foundation for Women. The event series started on Wednesday, Oct. 20, as TYO co-hosted the panel in Corporation with the Palestine Note and New America Foundation.

The title of the panel was "Beyond Platitudes: Women's Economic Empowerment In The Middle East. What's Real? What's Not? What Can Be Done." I attended the panel and was asked to speak about my experience with TYO and how that experience can foster womens' potential initiatives in Palestine.

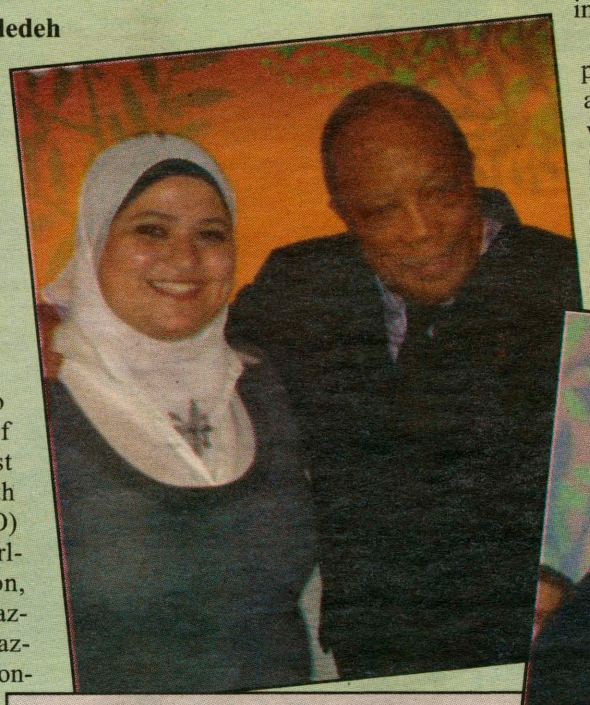
I feel that Palestinian women have the commitment necessary to move on with their lives even under the hardships of political and economic circumstances.

On the following day, The TYO Gala event started with a performance of the song "Tomorrow" by the Dupont Park Children's Choir of Washington, D.C., which was led by Quincy Jones himself.

Bill Clinton, Quincy Jones and Former UK First Lady Cherie Blair, who are great supporters of the TYO, were invited to the Gala dinner in addition to Ambassador Yousef al Otaiba and Terry McAuliffe.

The performance was followed by remarkable speeches by Cherie Blair, Bill Clinton and many others who are working to ensure the importance of working together to support women as they develop and build their business talents in order to help themselves, their families, and wider society.

I was honored to be an ambassador for Hamilton College at this event as I received many positive supportive statements about my project and my position on the Hill.



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Hadeel Alhaddedh, a teaching fellow from Palestine, met musician Quincy Jones (above) and former president Bill Clinton (right)while at a gala for Tomorrow's Youth Organization.

Spectator between the sheets

by Get Some*
Spectator Sex Columnists

College is a time for personal growth, but it may be difficult to maintain that special relationship from high school or summer when the physical aspect is gone. Keeping your partner happy and trying to adjust to college life can be both time consuming and emotionally draining. But never fear, your sex columnists are here to help you keep the flame burning, even if you're miles apart. Most people are concerned with either being too needy or too distant. So what's the key to keeping a long distance relationship healthy? Our three favorite forms of sexual communication are: sexting, phone sex and Skype sex.

The beauty of sexting is that you can do it anywhere, anytime, even at the next super crowded Bundy party—it's genius. Sexting is the easiest way to communicate your dirtiest thoughts (and we know you all have them) instantly.

Phone and Skype sex are altneratives to sexting. Although they require more time and effort, you get more bang for your buck. These two activities should be done in private, so first and foremost please make sure your roommates are not in the room. Once that is done, have some fun! Immerse yourself in the situation and relax.

Here are some tips for oral communication:
1. Confidence is key.
2. If you find yourself at a loss for words, heavy breathing gets the point across.
3. Moaning is sexy, but when your neighbors can hear it, turn it down a notch.
4. Ignore all other calls. Putting your partner on hold is inconsiderate. Would you do that during real sex?
5. Props are cool if that's what you're into, just please don't choke. This time your partner is not there to call 911.

Some additional Skype tips are:
1.If you live on the Dark Side, please remember to close your blinds.
2.Your significant other will not think it is cute to invite a third party into your Skype session. A menage-a-trois is not possible through a computer screen.

Although there are many factors to a relationship, keeping up consistent sexual communication should help to keep that fire burning. Now go out there and get some.

*Get Some consists of: Carolina Geiger '14, Bianca Buonaguro '14, Sam Wagner' 14, Nile Berry '14, Lizzy Auwaerter '14 and Lucas Hulleburg '14.

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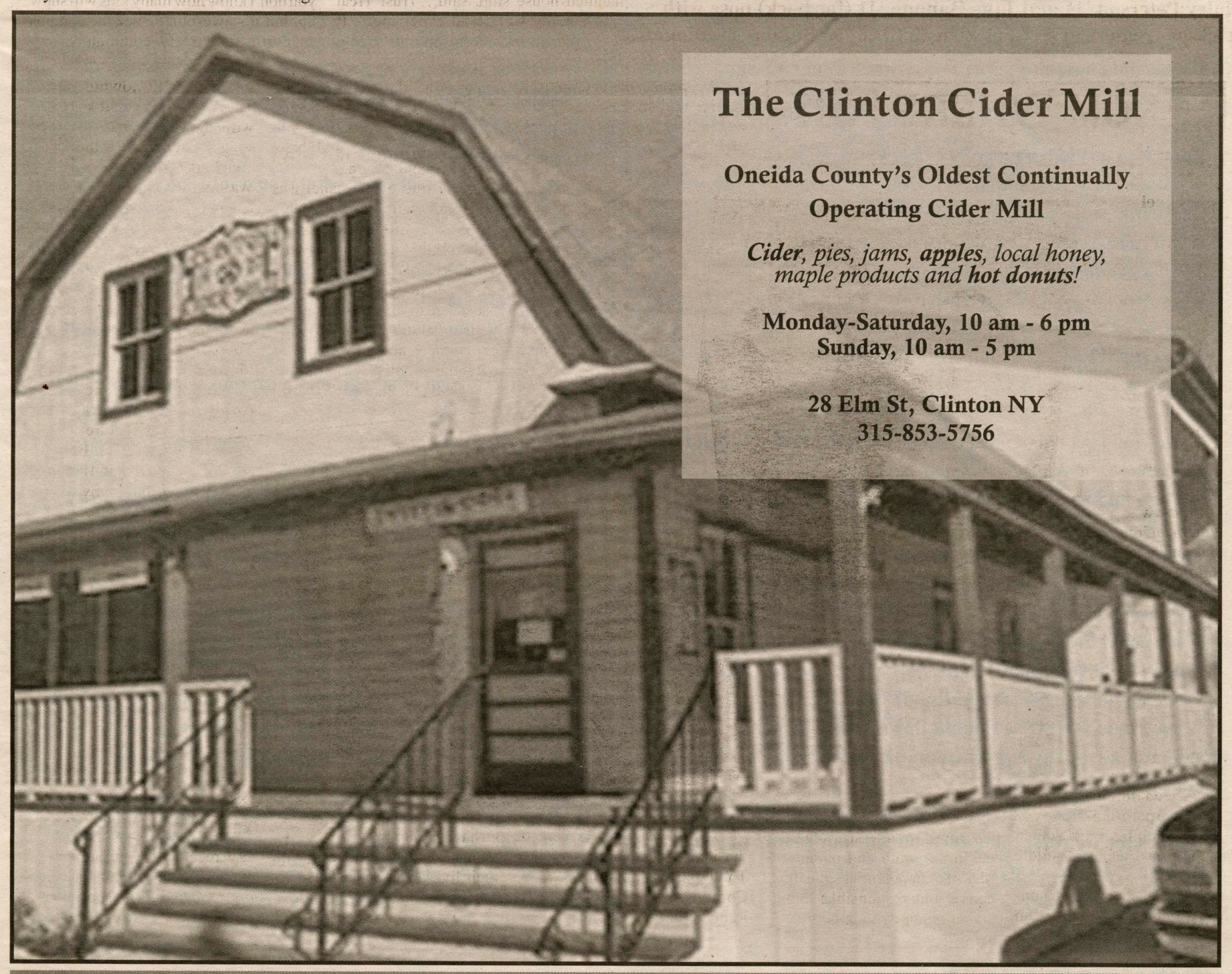
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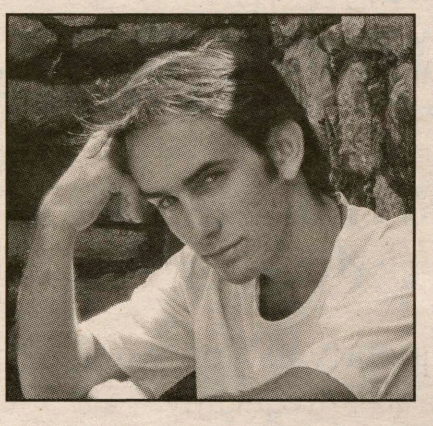

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Hometown: *Buenos Aires, Argentina.*
Major: *Undecided.*
Turn On? *Divas.*
Turn Off? *Clinginess. And Chatroulette.*
What is your worst habit? *Procrastinating.*
If you were a dorm which would you be and why? *Dunham: I'm experienced, I'm not fancy and I dare you to not like me.*
If you had to describe yourself as the love child of any two musicians which would you pick and why? *Michael Bublé and Shakira. Classy suave swagga mixed with Latin honest hips. Doesn't get any better than that.*
If you were God, what would be the first thing you'd do to the world? *Spread love ... and chocolate.*
If you had to create a new points system what would be the #1 offense? *Studying on a Saturday night. And destroying door tags.*
What advertising slogan best describes your life? *"Never Stop Exploring" - North Face*
What movie genre best describes you? *Bollywood – they dance in them, they're foreign and they're long.*
What's the best pick-up line you've ever used/had used on you? *"Hey. I'm Nico. Do you want a silly band?" Works wonders.*
If you could have any super power what would it be and why? *I just wish Beyonce were my patronus ... does that count as a super power?*
What is your hidden talent? *I can lick my elbow.*
What is your spirit animal and why? *Any animal that hibernates for the winter.*
If you were a cold cut, which would you be and why? *Um ... I'm latino. I'm gonna skip this question.*
If you were any social space what would it be and why? *The Hub, cause there's always enough Destiny's Child to go round.*
If you could join one group on campus what would it be and why? *Posse, cause they're all really tight. Tough, I'm a bit too late for that.*
If you could get rid of one group on campus what would it be and why? *Does Knit still happen?*
What would you say is your most attractive quality? *My non-existent latino accent ... or my smile.*
If you could trade jobs with anyone at Hamilton for a day who would it be? *Judy from McEwen. Did you know she hugs you on your birthday?*
If you could break one rule at Hamilton and get away with it which would you choose? *I'm an RA, we don't break rules. lol.*
What would you give a thumbs up? *Cher at Diner B.*
What would you give a thumbs down? *Snow till May.*
Who would you say is your campus crush? *Patti from ~~the Diner~~ Commons.*
Who would you say is your faculty crush? *Nancy Rabinowitz.*
What is the weirdest thing currently in your room? *Well, after my Amy Winehouse wig got cram-n'-scrammed, it's probably my complete scuba outfit.*

Amanda Fox '13

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Hometown: *New Canaan, CT.*
Major: *Art History.*
Turn On? *Blatant nerdiness.*
Turn Off? *The term "bumping uglies."*
What is your worst habit? *Having Alzheimer's—I literally don't remember anything.*
If you were a dorm which would you be and why? *Milbank or Babbitt.*
If you had to describe yourself as the love child of any two celebrities which would you pick and why? *Young MC and Ingrid Michaelson – I can bust a move and be ok.*
If you were God, what would be the first thing you'd do to the world? *I'd ban skullets, mullets and socks with flip flops.*
If you had to create a new points system what would be the #1 offense? *Wearing skullets, mullets or socks with flip flops.*
What movie genre best describes you? *Indie movies...I rarely come to definite conclusions about the things that happen to me.*
What's the best pick-up line you've ever used/had used on you? *I overheard it at Silent Disco: Do you want to just take off all of our clothes and go nuts?*
What advertising slogan best describes your life? *"I am what I am." - Reebok*
If you could have any super power what would it be and why? *I would like to be able to turn objects into m&ms at will, like the guy in the skittles commercial...because I like m&ms....*
What is your hidden talent? *My suitemate (Paige Pettoruto '11) can type with her nose.*
What is your spirit animal and why? *A Fox.*
If you were any social space what would it be and why? *Opus – people are really comfortable around me, but sometimes I'm a little loud.*
If you were a cold cut, which would you be and why? *God knows we Jews don't eat pork.*
If you could join one group on campus what would it be and why? *Clinton Early Learning Center because recess is fun.*
If you could get rid of one group on campus what would it be and why? *The Womyn's Center, because I think it detracts from Hamilton's image as a writing school.*
If you could break one rule at Hamilton and get away with it which would you choose? *I'm just a simple-minded girl who wants recognition for her triple major and quadruple minors. Call me ambitious.*
If you could trade jobs with anyone at Hamilton for a day what would it be? *The Opus people...I'd make off like a bandit with that cookie recipe.*
What would you give a thumbs up? *Sanity and/or fear*
What would you give a thumbs down? *Hickeys.*
Who would you say is your campus crush? *Nicolas Keller Sarmiento.*
Who would you say is your faculty crush? *Craig Latrell.*
What is the weirdest thing currently in your room? *The books on the required reading list for HIST 206: Medieval Europe. I'm not enrolled in HIST 206: Medieval Europe.*

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Hamilton competes with 39 schools in nationwide battle to reduce energy usage

by Ben Trachtman '12
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

The start of November means the start of the Campus Conservation Nationals (CCN), an energy-saving competition between 40 colleges and universities across the country. Each college is striving to reduce its energy consumption by a larger percentage than any of the other institutions. The competition measures electricity and water use across several dormitories across each campus. Although the competition ends on Nov. 19, students' energy-saving practices will hopefully continue past that date.

All types of institutions are participating in the energy challenge, from smaller schools like Hamilton and Bowdoin to large universities, such as the Ohio State University and the University of Cincinnati. However, each category is weighted by the number of people living in a particular dorm, making it a fair competition between all sizes of schools.

The CCN is primarily designed to make students aware of energy use and conservation. Their goals, as listed on their website, include "engaging, educating, motivating and empowering students to conserve resources in their residences... achieving measurable reductions in electricity and water use in the residences, and prevent[ing] the associated carbon dioxide emissions," and "fostering a culture of conservation within campus communities."

At this point in the competition, Elon University is in the lead with a 14.6 percent reduction in its electricity use. In second place is UC San Diego, with a 14 percent energy reduction. Wittenberg is in third place with 12 percent. Hamilton has a lot of catching up to do, as it currently stands in 30th place, with an electricity increase of 19.6 percent. Its electricity use is 4.6 percent higher than the 29th ranked school, the University of Oregon, but 15.9 percent higher than the University of Colorado at Boulder in 28th place.

Within Hamilton specifically, Major Residence Hall is leading with a 14.3 percent reduction in energy use. Of the 29 dorms on campus participating in the competition, six have reduced their energy consumption at this point. Keehn Residence Hall is currently at the bottom of the standings, with a 47.6 percent increase in energy use.

In past years, there has been a Building Dashboard online showing results for dorms in real time. This year, the dashboard has been updated, providing new features such as energy conservation tips and interactive charts showing and comparing specific buildings' energy use. Some of the tips proposed on the website are washing clothes in cold water (the bright colors setting), using a desk light instead of overhead lights and not using a tray in the dining hall. The dashboard can be accessed at www.buildingdashboard.net/hamilton.

Outside of residence halls, the Science Center dwarfs all buildings on campus in terms of energy use over the past two months. It has used over 2 million kilowatt-hours of energy, while the building with the second most electricity consumption, Kirner-Johnson, has only used 390,661 kWh. The Glen House has used the least energy over the past three months, accumulating only 2,183 kWh.

There are a number of sub-competitions within the CCN, including largest percent reduction in electricity and water use by a single residence hall and greatest average percent reduction or overall reduction in water or electricity consumption by campus. The winners of the CCN receive prizes from the competition's sponsors; potential prizes include sweatshirts and reusable grocery bags from the U.S. Green Building Council and 200 compact fluorescent light bulbs from Lights Out Green In. Hamilton is low in the standings right now, so start turning off lights if you want to win prizes.

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Summer research helps students develop life skills

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Suman Sarker '11, under the guidance of Biology Professor Chang worked on finding common genetic markers in nematodes (right).

by Ben Trachtman '12
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

Students who sacrificed time with their families to do research over the summer finally got a chance to show their parents the result of their work. Over Family Weekend, students who had been conducting summer research on the Hill presented posters detailing their studies. The research topics covered all scientific fields, ranging from an x-ray fluorescence analysis of medieval gravestones to the isolation of specific genes in fruit flies.

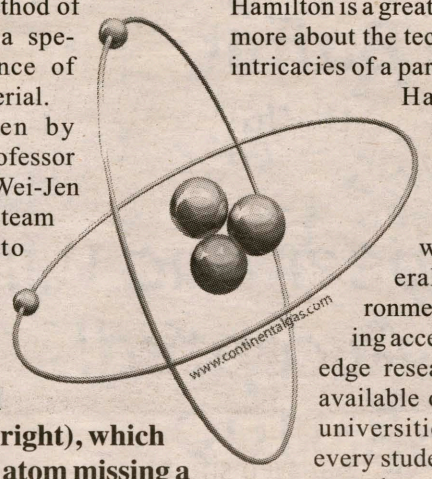
Jake Zappala '12 spent the summer working on a project entitled "Engineering Test Systems for Further Diagnostics on Helium-3 Polarization." The goal of his research was to make a system capable of maximizing the efficiency of creating a polarized helium filter, a crucial step in understanding objects' magnetic properties. By constructing a machine capable of polarizing helium in different sizes and shapes of cells, other researchers at Hamilton will be able to determine the ideal shape for a helium cell.

"I got great real-world experience," Zappala said. "I'm planning on going into engineering, so it was great to get a chance to optimize systems, work with a machinist, and do everything that's involved in the field of engineering."

In another scientific field, Suman Sarker '11 spent his summer leading a team in search of a genetic marker common to the 14 species of nematodes whose full genomes have been sequenced. The key tools in the search were bioinformatics, a computer-assisted analysis of genetic sequences, and polymerase chain reaction (PCR), a method of amplifying a specific sequence of genetic material.

Overseen by Assistant Professor of Biology Wei-Jen Chang, the team was able to gain valuable and applicable experience in the world of genetic analysis, a very helpful skill set to have now that genes are better understood and genomic sequencing is becoming more and more common.

As this past summer has shown, summer research at Hamilton is a great way to learn more about the techniques and intricacies of a particular field. Hamilton offers a unique opportunity for students to live and work in a liberal arts environment while having access to leading edge research usually available only at large universities. Nearly every student who does research comes out with a better understanding of their field and appreciation for their work.



Jake Zappala '12 polarized helium-3 (right), which is a helium atom missing a neutron, to study the magnetic properties of atoms and objects.

Off-campus science news this week...

International Space Station has been continuously occupied for ten years

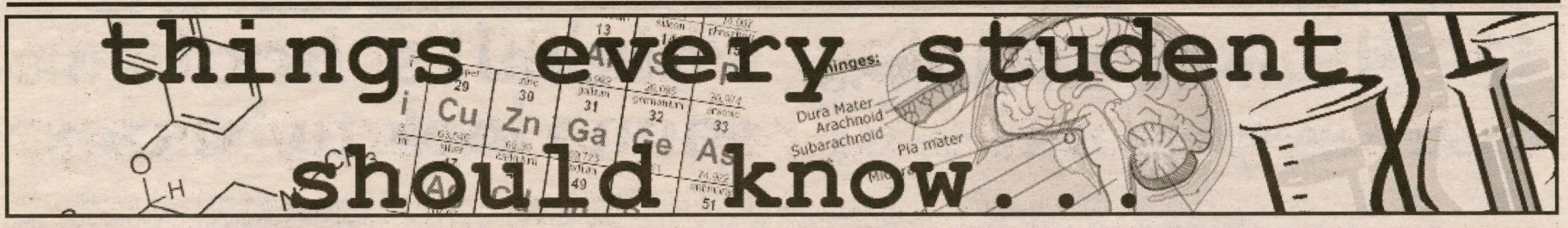
November 2 marked the 10-year anniversary of astronauts from around the world living in the International Space Station. The station, which has been under construction for 12 years and is now the size of a five-bedroom home, has housed 196 astronauts. However, the continuous habitation streak is endangered by NASA's plans to retire the shuttle program. American shuttles have served as the primary means of transporting equipment and personnel to the station, so the lack of shuttles might have a strong negative impact on the functioning of the station.

Google settles lawsuit over Buzz

In February, Google entered the social networking foray with its Twitter-like product called Buzz. However, it was quickly pulled due to privacy concerns; the program automatically shared information about users, which was deemed an invasion of privacy. A class action lawsuit was filed, and on Nov. 2, Google emailed all Gmail users informing them that the suit had been settled. Google announced plans to create an $8.5 million fund (before legal fees) to support groups who promote privacy education on the Internet.

Scientists link gene with risk factor for autism

A recent study suggests that autism might be influenced by an overabundance of neural connections in the front of the brain. This study shows that children with autism tend to have more of these connections, while lacking connections between the front and other parts of the brain. However, this same gene is expressed in healthy children as well, suggesting that the gene is only one part of a larger group of genetic and environmental causes for autism. Future studies might find other genes associated with autism so that, when combined with the information from this study, scientists can better form a complete genetic understanding of the disorder.



Nutrition Myths: How to get the protein and carbohydrates you need, and the healthiest way to eat

by Julia Litzky '12
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

Last Wednesday, Oct. 27, Terri Brownlee MPH, RD, LDN, the Regional Director of Nutrition for Bon Appetit, spoke about some common nutrition myths as part of the Wellness Lecture Series. Here are some of the myths she debunked:

Several mini meals throughout the day are better than three large meals

This myth probably comes from the fact that eating does slightly increase your body's metabolism. However, it does not make much of a difference in the amount of overall calories burned. Eating many small meals can help prevent eating a lot after a period of starvation, which can result in overeating, but eating many small meals usually results in eating more calories than necessary.

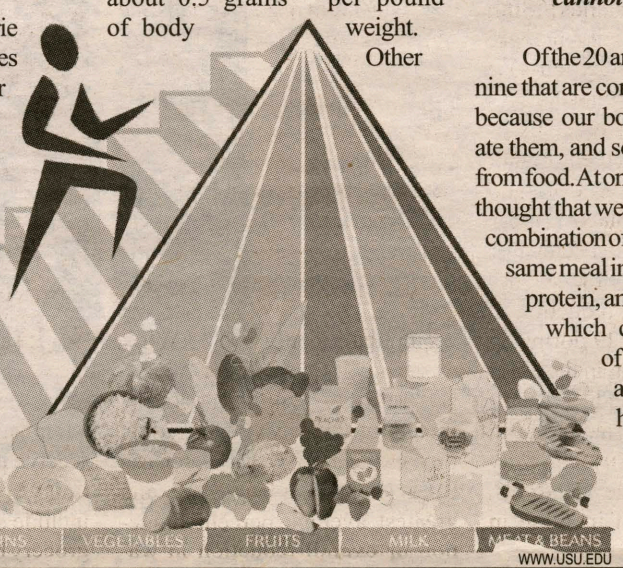
As a result, there is no real answer as to whether or not many small meals are better for you than a few large ones. It simply depends on each individual's schedule, diet and preferences. Brownlee explained that "If you're the person who's comfortable with three square meals a day and it works for you, then there's no reason to change it." Either way, you should make sure you "eat within a few hours of getting up, and then eat something for every 3-5 hours that you're awake."

If you eat certain combinations of foods, calories don't really matter (as implied by the Atkins and South Beach Diets).

This isn't true. A calorie is a calorie, whether it comes from carbohydrates, fats or protein. The success of the Atkins diet is likely due to the fact that fats and protein are very filling, so many people simply feel fuller and so eat less. However, neglecting fruit and vegetables can result in a poorer quality of life because people may not get enough of the nutrients that are found in these foods. For a balanced diet, half of every meal should consist of fruits and vegetables.

Protein will help you build muscle.

Protein intake alone will not result in the building of muscle. Although a body builder does need a little more protein than others do, the American diet provides about two to three times the amount of protein the body actually needs, which is about 0.5 grams per pound of body weight. Other sources of energy, such as carbohydrates, are also required for building muscle. Building muscle does help with weight loss; maintaining a pound of muscle burns 25-30 calories a day, whereas maintaining a pound of fat only burns two to three calories.



Your body can't use protein from beans unless you eat them with rice (you must eat complete proteins in every meal, or your body cannot use them).

Of the 20 amino acids, there are nine that are considered "essential" because our bodies cannot generate them, and so we must get them from food. At one point, nutritionists thought that we would have to eat a combination of these together at the same meal in order to complete a protein, and so if we ate beans, which contain only some of the essential amino acids, we would also have to eat rice or some other food that contained the others. However, we now know that our bodies will save amino acids until they're needed, and so it is not necessary to complete proteins in each meal.

Carbohydrates are bad for you.

Some carbohydrates are worse for you than others, particularly those that are highly processed, but carbohydrates are a necessary component of your diet, especially for brain function. The body will always reserve enough carbohydrates for brain function, and they are necessary for learning and processing.

However, some carbohydrates are easier to digest than others. Sugars, for example, such as honey, molasses, and the sugars in fruit, are easy to digest and can supply a quick burst of energy. About half of your carbohydrate intake should come from whole grains, which include barley, oats, rice and corn. They provide energy that lasts for several hours without the spike and sharp drop in blood glucose levels (a sugar crash) that sugar and refined grain products generate. Carbohydrates are also good sources of fiber and are very filling.

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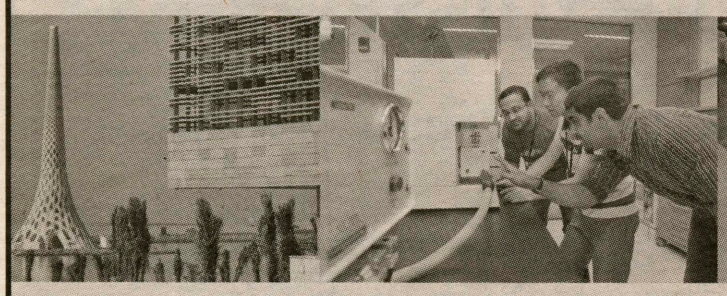

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POWER RANKINGS

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The Lord Jeffs rule the NESCAC Power Rankings once again, this time separating themselves from the rest of the pack by just under two points. Thanks to its football, volleyball and women's soccer teams, all of which were ranked first by the voters, Amherst now sits comfortably atop the standings.

Williams continued to slide down the list, tumbling from third to fifth and being supplanted by Tufts and Bowdoin, who took over third and fourth, respectively. Middlebury remained in second, thanks to a solid, all-around showing from its five fall sports.

Spots six through 11 continue to remained unchanged.

THIS WEEK	SCHOOL	FOOTBALL	MEN'S SOCCER	WOMEN'S SOCCER	FIELD HOCKEY	VOLLEYBALL	AVERAGE	LAST WEEK
1	AMHERST	1 (1.14)	3 (3.43)	1 (1.86)	4 (4.00)	1 (1.00)	2.29	1 ↔
2	MIDDLEBURY	6 (5.71)	2 (2.57)	5 (3.86)	3 (3.29)	2 (2.00)	3.49	2 ↔
3	TUFTS	9 (8.43)	7 (5.71)	2 (2.29)	1 (1.43)	3 (3.43)	4.28	4 ↑
4	BOWDOIN	7 (8.00)	1 (1.43)	7 (7.00)	2 (1.57)	4 (3.86)	4.37	5 ↑
5	WILLIAMS	2 (1.86)	t-4 (3.57)	t-3 (2.43)	t-10 (9.57)	t-6 (5.71)	4.63	3 ↓
6	TRINITY	3 (3.00)	10 (9.29)	6 (4.57)	5 (4.71)	8 (6.86)	5.69	6 ↔
7	WESLEYAN	4 (4.00)	t-4 (3.57)	t-3 (2.43)	t-10 (9.57)	t-6 (5.71)	6.23	7 ↔
8	CONN. COLLEGE	—	9 (9.14)	9 (9.00)	6 (7.00)	5 (5.14)	7.57	8 ↔
9	COLBY	5 (5.29)	6 (5.57)	10 (10.00)	8 (9.14)	10 (9.29)	7.86	9 ↔
10	BATES	8 (8.14)	8 (8.14)	8 (7.43)	7 (7.86)	9 (8.86)	8.09	10 ↔
11	HAMILTON	10 (8.86)	—	—	—	11 (10.00)	9.43	11 ↔

The poll was devised as follows: Each voter ranked all NESCAC schools in each sport, and those scores were averaged to create a composite ranking for each sport. The composites were then averaged to determine each school's overall ranking. Note that Hamilton does not compete in field hockey, men's soccer or women's soccer in the NESCAC, and Conn. College does not compete in football.

This week's list was determined by polling Amro El-Adle (Amherst Student), Rob Yee (Colby Echo), Mike Flint and Nick Woolf (Conn. College Voice), Dave Meisel (Hamilton Spectator), Katie Siegner (Middlebury Campus), Ann Curtis & Emily Gittleman (Trinity Tripod), Alex Prewitt (Tufts Daily), and Meghan Kiesel (Williams Record).

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Football's next two games look to be close

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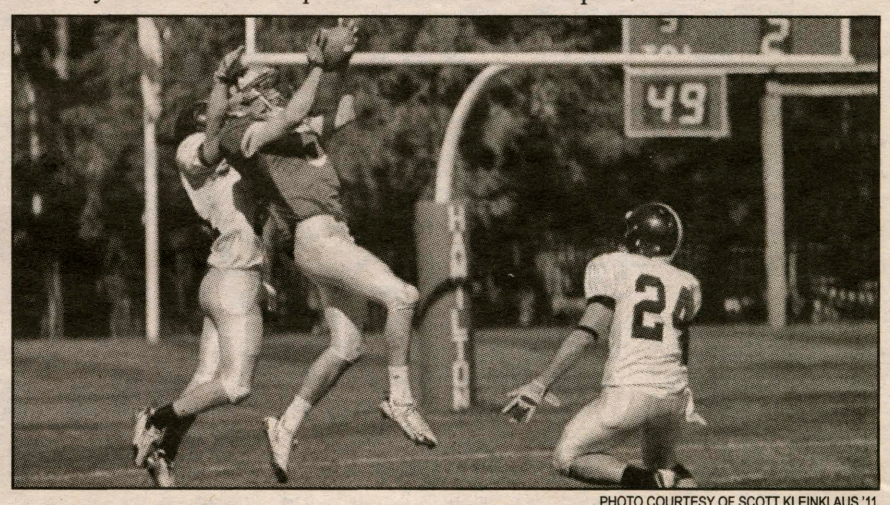
plays later, Williams scored to take a one-touchdown lead. Hamilton punted on the following drive, and Williams proceeded to drive 81 yards in nine plays, finishing the drive with a controversial score.

On the play, Williams quarterback Pat Moffitt '11 threw a pass to the back of the Hamilton endzone intended for Tomas Kearney '12. Both Kearney and cornerback Dylan Isenberg '12 leapt for the ball. Isenberg was able to gain position in mid-air and caught the ball for what looked to be an interception, but on the way down, Kearney ripped it out of Isenberg's hands for a 14-yard touchdown reception. It was a disappointing moment for Isenberg, who played extremely well (making 11 tackles) in his first game as a full-time cornerback.

Stetson said Isenberg's move to cornerback was due to, "Injuries on defense and the need to defend Williams' great receivers who all happen to be tall. We felt we did about as well as we could have…especially Dylan. Dylan had only four practices at the position prior to the game." Stetson also remarked that Isenberg will stay on defense, citing the team's emphasis on defense first and Isenberg's extensive prep school experience at the position.

The Continentals host Middlebury this Saturday, Nov. 6, in the Old Rocking Chair Classic at 1 p.m.



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Scott Kleinklaus '11 caught the only Hamilton touchdown Saturday.

HAMILTON SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Oct. 28 - Nov. 3

Field hockey
Nov. 3: 2-1 *Win vs. William Smith (Liberty League Tournament Semifinal)*

Volleyball
Oct. 29: *0-3 Loss vs. Middlebury*
Oct. 30: *1-3 Loss vs. Amherst*

Football
Oct. 30: *7-35 Loss vs. Williams*

Men's Soccer
Oct. 30: *2-2 Tie vs. Hobart*
Nov. 3: 2-3 *Loss @ St. Lawrence (Liberty League Tournament Semifinal)*

Women's Soccer
Oct. 30: 2-0 *Win vs. Hartwick*
Nov. 3: 2-3 *Loss @ Vassar (Liberty League Tournament semifinal)*

Men's Crew
Oct. 30: 7th *Place at the Head of the Schuylkill*

Women's Crew
Oct. 30: *5th Place at the Head of the Schuylkill*

Men's Cross Country
Oct. 30: *9th Place at the NESCAC Championship*

Women's Cross Country
Oct. 30: *9th Place at the NESCAC*

HAMILTON SPORTS SCHEDULE

Nov. 4 - Nov. 10

Field Hockey
Nov. 6 @ Skidmore (Liberty League Tournament final)

Football
Nov. 6 vs. Middlebury (Old Rocking Chair Classic)
1 p.m. at Steuben Field

Water Polo
Nov. 6 and 7 at Division III Club National Championship @ Macalester College

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Women's soccer hopeful for NCAA bid

by Becca Hazlett'13
Sports Contributor

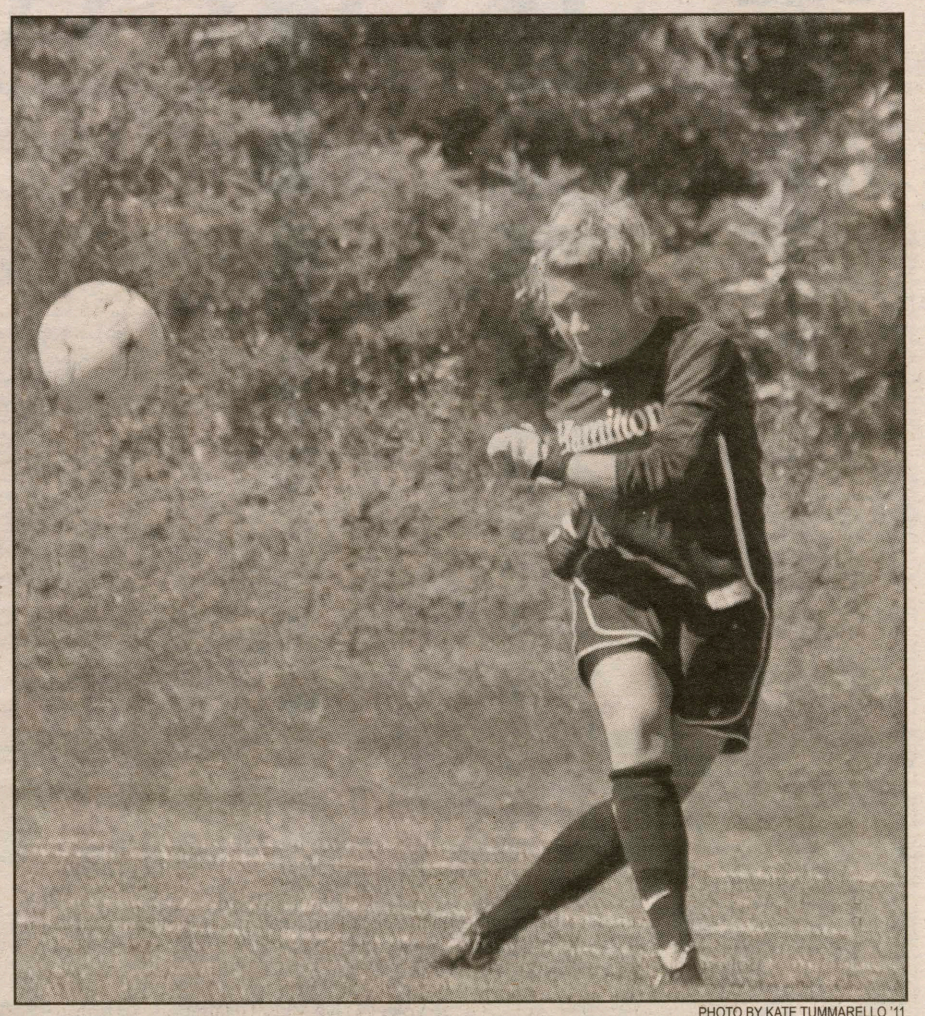
After closing out the season with a 2-0 victory over Hartwick (following a loss at St. Lawrence the weekend before), the Hamilton women's soccer team took a 3-2 loss in the Liberty League semifinals to Vassar Wednesday. Their season may or may not be over, depending on how the rest of Division III shakes out.

A 2-1 loss to St. Lawrence decided how they finished within the Liberty League, and it was not the outcome the Continentals were looking for. Sarah Boak '12, prior to Wednesday's game, commented on the St. Lawrence loss, "Losing to St Lawrence caused us to lose our chance of hosting the Liberty League tournament. We're still in the top four teams in the league, but now we're ranked below William Smith and Vassar."

The team had hoped its win against Hartwick would build some confidence heading into the playoffs. Boak added, "Hopefully our game this Saturday against Hartwick was a wake up call for our upcoming tournament games. Although we won 2-0, we really didn't play as well as we are capable of- we didn't score until the second half, and although we dominated the game, we were still playing down to Hartwick's level." The team didn't have wiggle room for mistakes or to not play their game until the second half. However, the second half of the Hartwick game also demonstrated that the team was capable to step up when they need to, despite not showing it in their final game of the season.

This peak during the Hartwick game was vital in their attitude going into the Vassar game. Lauren Farver '11 reflected on the team's hopes after playing Hartwick, "Although we already beat Vassar once this season, it is never an easy task to play a team a second time and beat them again, especially when the game is at their field." This means that practice will be focused and intense. Everyone on the team will be holding everyone accountable, as Farver notes, "Everyone will be expected to come to practice focused and with lots of energy. Our team does exceptionally well at working hard at practice in order to simulate a game-like experience."

After Wednesday's loss to Vassar, the team's record stands at 9-3-3, and they hope to receive a bid to the NCAA tournament. Despite matching their 2009 win total, the Continentals couldn't advance as far as they did last year, when the team finished as finalists in the Liberty League tournament. Farver '11 commented, "Only the seniors on the team have experienced the NCAA tournament, and our hope is that we can show the younger girls what an amazing experience it is to extend the season and compete at the next level." Despite the hard-luck loss, the team can take pride in extending its streak of winning seasons to 11, and even if they don't get into the tournament, they can look ahead to the 2011 season with high hopes.



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Keeper Hailey Bobin '12 will strive for continued improvement in 2011.

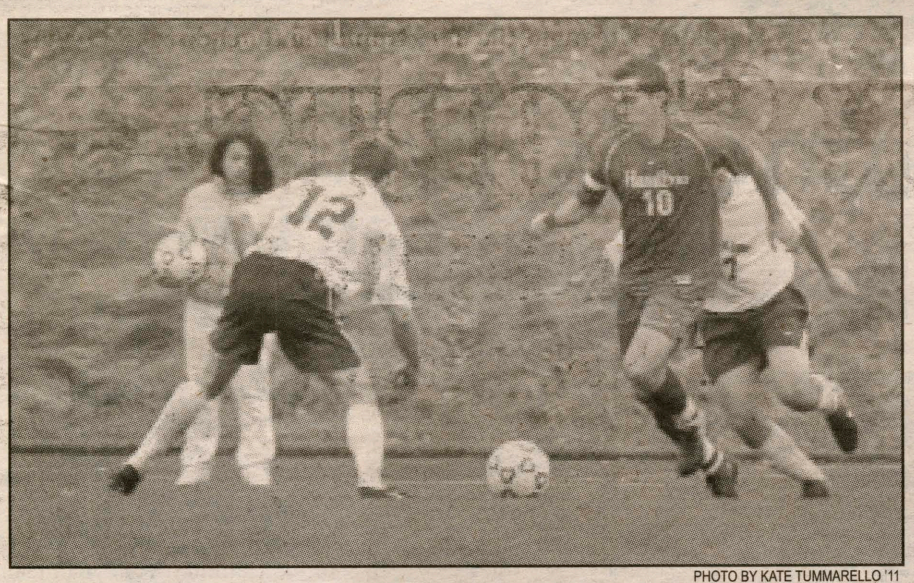

PHOTO BY KATE TUMMARELLO '11

Midfielder Jesse Arroyave '11 was a crucial member to the 2010 team.

Men's soccer team hoping for NCAA bid

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"It's exciting to be having a good season so far," said Balbo prior to Wednesday's game. "Our basic mentality right now is trying not to get caught up on just that fact, that we have a good record or that we've clinched a spot in the league tournament." Hamilton earned the number four seed in the tournament and played at St. Lawrence in the first round. Hamilton had to adapt to the intensity of the playoffs while facing a tough opponent on the road to change the result in their second meeting. "St. Lawrence has a good squad, but we expect to go toe to toe with them and, at the very least, give everything we have on the field," said Campagnano, heading into the game. "We talk a lot about heart and work rate. We feel if we work hard and play our game, we will have success." Despite their hopes, they couldn't follow through in the conference tournament.

Hamilton, throughout the season, maintained the lofty expectations it set early in the year. "On top of [the Liberty League Tournament], probably more importantly, is qualifying for the NCAA's through either winning the league tourney or receiving an at-large bid."

In 2009, Hamilton also made it into the postseason but failed to advance past the first round. This year, the Continentals again lost in the first round, but extended a winning tradition that has continued through the 21st century, as the Continentals haven't had a losing season since 1999. More impressively, they have had just five losing seasons in the last three decades.

The team's fate will be revealed on Monday at 2 p.m. when the Division III Men's Soccer Selection Show airs.

Volleyball's 2010 season one of the best in last 10 years

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a grand total of 34 kills, 47 digs, six aces, five blocks and a hitting percentage of .274, Corrigan was voted by the opposing teams to be Hamilton's most valuable player for the weekend.

Hamilton first encountered a tough Keuka team that "came into the weekend with a six game win streak and an undefeated record in their conference," according to Coach Glaser. Keuka won the first set, and though Hamilton seemed to have the upper hand by winning the second and third, Keuka came back to win the fourth set.

"Keuka was digging us very well, which was frustrating our hitters," explained Coach Glaser, "but as our passing improved our hitters saw more opportunities, which helped a lot." Hamilton won the final set to take the match. "I was really excited to see that competition and happy to see that the team rose to the challenge," Coach Glaser said. The Continentals, having started the tournament with such high level of competition, blew past SUNY Cobleskill 3-0 later that evening.

The next day, Clarkson met Hamilton with even stiffer resistance. Coach Glaser remarked, "They have a very strong line up, which includes an All-American outside hitter who really took control of the game." Hamilton lost all three sets, but the Continentals increased their score each set, putting pressure on the talented Clarkson team: "Our players made some good adjustments as the game went on and our serving was strong, which helped us a lot." Clarkson was the team's only loss of the tournament, as Hamilton went on to defeat Anna Maria 3-0 that day.

Fast-forward one week (during which Hamilton defeated Hartwick College 3-2) to Family Weekend, where Hamilton faced NESCAC powerhouses Middlebury and Amherst. After a tough 0-3 loss to Middlebury (second in the NESCAC) on Friday, the Continentals knew they had no chance at making it to playoffs. That didn't stop them from putting up a fight the next game against Amherst, the best team in the NESCAC.

"The team took the first set against number one ranked Amherst. It was great to see the girls so fired up," recounted a proud Coach Glaser. "Our defense was doing a really good job of moving to the ball and our hitters were doing a good job of making themselves available." The girls all racked up impressive stats to close the season, fighting against the best competition the conference had to offer. "We rose to the challenge and worked our butts off to give both teams a hard fought game." The team ended their season 13-14 overall and 1-9 in the NESCAC. With sole senior Alex Singh graduating, the team will be back in nearly full force next year, ready for a rematch against this talented competition.

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Men's soccer falls to St. Lawrence in double-OT

PHOTO BY KATE TUMMARELLO '11

Bennett Weinerman '11 is looking forward to postseason success in the coming weeks.

by Scott Etkin '13
Sports Contributor

The men's soccer team was trumped 3-2 by St. Lawrence in double overtime Wednesday. "It was a very disappointing loss, but we're optimistic about our chances at getting an NCAA Tournament bid," said George Kentros '11. "We're confident that our season won't be over just yet." They ended their run in the Liberty League tournament after finishing the regular season with a record of 9-2-3 (4-2-1 in-league). The Continentals ended the regular season with a 1-1-1 homestand. With a 3-2 overtime victory against Clarkson, the Continentals extended their winning streak to an astonishing six games. However, Hamilton suffered its first loss in nearly a month to St. Lawrence after allowing the only goal of the match in the 80th minute. On Family Weekend, Hamilton surged back with a couple late goals to salvage a 2-2 tie against Hobart. Over this winning streak, the team outscored its opponents 18-6, demonstrating how dominant it can be on both sides of the ball.

One essential aspect of the team's prosperity this season has been fostering a sense of team unity, which stems from the example set by tri-captains Jon Sanford '11, Bennett Weinerman '11 and Jesse Arroyave '11. "Bennett, Jon and I are always trying to find new ways to unite the team and make them feel like a family," said Arroyave. "On the field, we let everyone know that any member of this team can make a difference at any point in time. Most importantly we stress how important it is to take pride in wearing a Hamilton jersey."

Midfielder Frank Campagnano '12 led the team's offensive output, racking up nine goals and six assists in the regular season. Anthony Balbo '13 and Leo Nizzi '14 led the team in goals (ten) and assists (eight) respectively.

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Football falls to undefeated Ephs

by Dave Meisel '13
Sports Editor

In a league as competitive as the NESCAC, and in college football in general, smaller schools are at a disadvantage because their teams tend to be smaller. When injuries hit, they hurt a smaller squad like Hamilton's much more.

The Continentals were missing three of its original five starting linemen, and for the second week in a row were down to their third-string quarterback as they lost to Williams (6-0, No. 2 in the NESCAC Football Power Rankings), 38-7. They dropped to 1-5 in 2010.

Hamilton was down to third-string quarterback Steve Mello '11, and with only one quarterback on the roster, the game plan had to be changed. "Our plan offensively was to throw short, quick passes to give Mello a chance against a very strong opponent. We could not take many chances of him being hit because we had no back up with any experience at all going into the game, other than [Linebacker Dan] Peters…a very good defensive player for us. Our offensive line had two starters with virtually no experience," said Head Coach Steve Stetson.

Mello completed 15 of 31 passes for 89 yards in his first career start. He was effective throwing to the flats early, but with a short passing game being heavily reliant on gaining yards after the catch, the Continentals' offense was locked down as Williams continually bottled up Hamilton's receivers. Scott Kleinklaus '11 caught Hamilton's only touchdown, a 12-yard completion from Mello in the third quarter. The running game also struggled. James Stanell '14, after breaking out against Bowdoin and Bates in the two previous games, carried 14 times for 47 yards, and 28 of those came on one run late in the game against Williams' backups. Overall, the Continentals, who held the ball for under 22 minutes, ran just 47 plays for 138 yards and got one first down (Stannell's 28-yard run).

Although Williams put on an impressive display all the way through the game, they were several key plays that turned the game. At the start of the game, After Hamilton three-and-outed on its second drive of the game, senior George Taylor's punt from deep in the Continentals' end was blocked and recovered by Williams at the 8-yard-line. Two

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Women's Volleyball | Young team can't wait for next season

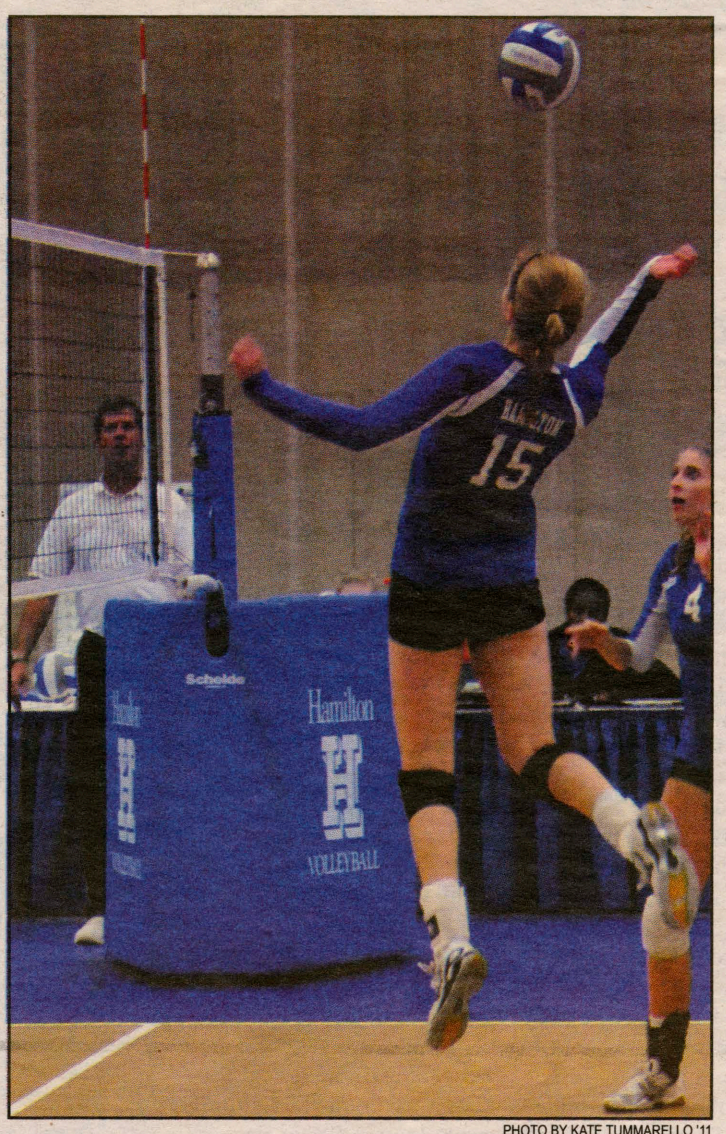

PHOTO BY KATE TUMMARELLO '11

Sarah Pfund '14 sets Meredith Nuber '14 up for a spike.

by Cooper Creagan '13
Sports Writer

With a season full of away matches against tough competition under their belt, the women of the Hamilton volleyball team were ready for the Hamilton-based Continental Classic. Here, the Continentals played four matches, coming out on top against Keuka College, SUNY Cobleskill and Anna Maria.

"We had just got done seeing a lot of challenging NESCAC competition the weekend before so I believe we were very prepared for the non-conference competition we saw at the Continental Classic," remarked Coach Erin Glaser. She also credited the support of the Hamilton community for their success: "It is always nice to be home after traveling so much. The home crowd advantage definitely helped us." These factors made for some memorable matches and strong playing by the Continentals.

Though "everyone contributed during the Continental Classic," according to Coach Glaser, first-year Brenna Corrigan shone through as Hamilton's star at the Continental Classic by winning the All-Tournament Award. With

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